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LABOR BATTLES FOR SOCIAL LEGISLATION AT BUDGET HEARING

CIO and AFL Unions, Progressives, Fight Tory Line-Up at Albany to Save Schools, Relief, and Oppose Sales Tax Measures

By Alex Leith
(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, Feb. 22.—The battle between progress and reaction was hotly fought out on the field of social legislation at the hearings on the executive budget which drew thousands to Albany today.

In what was one of the sharpest contests ever to take place in New York's legislative halls, spokesmen for big business wildly threatened "revolt" if the Governor's budget and tax program is adopted.

Spokesmen for labor and progressive organizations, representing several million persons, exposed the heart of the Tory drive on the budget as a veiled attack upon democracy itself. They fought to reject any reduction in appropriations and firmly called for increased outlays for relief and State aid to communities.

The Assembly Chamber in which the hearing was held, was packed to the rafters with an overflow crowd listening to the speakers through amplifiers set up in the corridors and ante-rooms. The progressive delegation, numbering three thousand, outnumbered the much publicized fascist-minded "march on Albany."

TEACHERS OPPOSED

The chief target of the "economy" axe of the Hoover Republicans was the $176,000,000 appropriation for schools, with relief following a close second.

The Real Estate Taxpayers' Federation, the Merchants Association, the Real Estate Association of New York and the Associated Industries joined in unblushingly demanding a program of cuts that would slash $2,70,000 from the salaries of state employes, $10,000,000 from capital outlays, $1,000,000 from home relief, and $31,000,000 from State aid for schools.

The sum to be taken away from schools would come within two million dollars of wiping out the deficit for 1938 and would therefore balance the budget by closing the school doors.

Dr. Bella Dodd, legislative representative of the New York State Federation of Teachers, vigorously opposed this plan, "not only because it adversely affects the children and school teachers, but because it will throw city and town budgets into chaos."

SCORES SALES TAX

In sharp contrast to the threatening and blustering statements of the realty and big business interests, spokesmen for labor and progressives made cogent analysis of the budget and interpreted the proposed budget slashes in terms of community needs.

Gustave Strebel, executive secretary of the CIO New York State Industrial Union Council, expressed the substantial approval of his organization for Governor Lehman's proposed budget and tax program, warning that it is cheaper to pay for relief than for bread riots.

He urged, however, that the State increase its share of relief costs from 40 per cent to 60 per cent and asked that a bond issue of $50,000,000 be floated "if necessary."

The C. I. O. spokesman recommended revision of the proposed real estate tax to exempt the small home owner and poor farmer. Like every other representative of progressive organizations, he scored the McNaboe sales tax as falling on those least able to pay.

FOR MINIMUM WAGE LAW

An effective plea for a $300,000 expansion appropriation for the administration of the Minimum Wage Law was made by a delegation which included Mrs. Elinore M. Herrick, regional director of the National Labor Relations Board.

Introduced by Pauline Newman of the New York Women's Trade Union League, speakers minced no words in charging that the reactionaries were out to scrap the law by denying the appropriation.

The increased outlay was needed, Mrs. Herrick said, in order to enable the Minimum Wage Division to administer six new industries that are to be brought under its jurisdiction.

A young woman, representing the A. F. of L. Hotel and Restaurant Employes' Union, which is to be brought under the law, moved the spectators by declaring, "We are the women who work for $2-$3-$9 a week. We fought for years for the Minimum Wage Law and we intend to keep it."

Spearhead of the Tory drive on the budget was the New York Economics Council, headed by

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Bund Our Greatest Enemy, Rep. Martin Tells House

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—Rep. John Martin, D., of Colorado, today bitterly attacked the Nazi Bund's Madison Square Garden rally in a speech on the House floor.

Ridiculing the meeting's alleged purpose of celebrating George Washington's birthday, he declared that Nazism is "the greatest enemy of everything that George Washington stood for, and of everything that America typifies."

He declared that the words "My fellow Christian Americans" on the lips of Fritz Kuhn, Nazi leader, are "a bare-faced mockery" because the Nazi leader here is the spokesman for "a pagan dictatorship which has denied God, suppressed the bible, persecuted Christianity and refers to the founder of the Christian religion as a 'dirty Jewish pig.'"

"Shades of Washington," Martin continued, "must such things be tolerated in the name of Liberty on the free soil of America? God save America from Nazi Christian Americanism."

Members of the House were astounded later in the day when Rep. Charles Hawks, Wisconsin Republican, indignantly replied to Martin's attack on the Nazis.

Several Congressmen asked Hawks if he were connected with the Nazis or sympathized with them, but he answered evasively that he was against all un-American "isms."

"There has been in the House an attempt to malign the German people, an attempt to malign the Italian people," Hawks said.

BOW TO FASCIST AXIS FLAYED IN HOUSE DEBATE

Congressmen Back President's Policy as Tories Echo Japan's Objection to Guam Improvements; Will Move Amendment

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Before adjourning tonight the House tentatively approved the proposed 11 major air bases provided in the naval air base bill and a naval air station at Tongue Point, Ore.

By Adam Lapin
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The Chamberlain policy of appeasing the fascist dictators came under heavy Congressional fire today as the House continued debate on the $53,800,000 naval air base bill.

Demands for a vigorous foreign policy came from both sides of the House in reply to the group of Tory Republicans which has been bitterly opposing a $5,000,000 item for harbor improvements at the vital Island of Guam in the Western Pacific, lest Japan should be "offended."

A clear-cut victory for this phase of the President's national defense program was seen as Democrats appeared overwhelmingly to favor the entire bill, and Republicans were badly split on the Guam issue with minority leader Joseph Martin carefully avoiding a definite stand.

In a speech supporting the proposal to dredge the Guam Harbor so as to make it available for sea planes, Rep. Melvin Maas of Minnesota, ranking Republican member of the Naval Affairs Committee, sharply attacked the policy of appeasing the fascist axis.

He declared that if America were to abandon the Guam project because of criticism in Japan, then "we are on the road to decline—selling out in advance."

"Once you start a policy of appeasement," he continued, "there is no end to it. Once they get you on the run, you never stop. We better never start."

PLANE BILL APPROVED

Another important move toward passing the President's national defense program was made in the Senate where the Military Affairs Committee approved the plane expansion bill for 3,032 new planes for the Army Air Corps, which was passed by the House.

Meanwhile, reactionary Democrats and Republicans in the House prepared to rally for the vote on the Guam provision of the air base bill which will take place tomorrow.

Rep. William H. Sutphin, D., of New Jersey, announced that he would introduce an amendment to strike Guam from the list of bases in the bill.

Republicans continued their attack on the Guam project on the ground that Japan would be antagonized and that there is no real danger of attack to this country.

Typical of their approach was a speech by Rep. Henry C. Dworshak, R., of Idaho, attacking administration foreign policy as "propaganda against phantom foes."

On the other hand, there were several significant speeches from Congressmen of all points of view along the lines of the Maas attack on appeasement.

APPEASEMENT HIT

Rep. Charles I. Faddis, D., of Pennsylvania, followed with a sharp criticism on appeasement as "a policy of impotency."

"I prefer to follow a policy that will protect this nation," he declared.

Another speech rejecting the proposition that this country abandon Guam as a concession to Japan was made by Rep. Ed. V. Izac, D., of California.

He declared that if Japan "wanted to keep our friendship she should keep the nine-power treaty, maintain the open door in China and treat the other powers who guaranteed the integrity of China as they wish to be treated"

Repeating the alleged remark that President Roosevelt was supposed to have made recently at a meeting of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, Rep. William J. Ditter, R., of Pennsylvania, asked Izac if he believed "that our frontier is in France."

Izac replied, to considerable applause, "Yes, if some friendly country west of the Rhine is willing to save us the necessity of fighting there."

Coming on the heels of powerful speeches this week advocating a stronger foreign policy by chairman Key Pittman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and chairman Carl Vinson of the House Naval Affairs Committee, today's speeches indicated a definite shift in Congressional opinion.

House Votes Extension Of Export-Import Bank

Defeats Two Republican Attempts to Amend

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 (UP).—The House after vigorous debate today passed and sent to the Senate a bill extending until June 30, 1941, the life of the Export-Import Bank.

House action came as the Senate Banking and Currency Committee recommended to the Senate passage of a similar bill which would also extend life of the Commodity Credit Corp., for a similar period.

The bill passed by the House places a limit of $100,000,000 on the amount the bank may lend. At present there is no limitation.

Basing their fight on a $25,000,000 commitment of the Export-Import Bank to finance the sale of 1,000 trucks to China, House Republicans made two attempts to amend the bill.

Rep. Jesse P. Wolcott, R., Mich., sought to liquidate the bank at the end of the current fiscal year June 30. He was defeated 152 to 114.

Rep. Hamilton Fish, R., N. Y., sought to prohibit the bank from lending more than $5,000,000 annually to finance the sale and export of commodities outside the western hemisphere without Congressional consent. He was defeated 156 to 113.

Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers, R., Mass., failed on a 77 to 150 vote to amend the bill to bar extension of credits to foreign governments or principals for the purchase of arms, munitions, or airplanes without the consent of Congress.

Jesse Jones, RFC chairman, told the Senate Committee he had discussed the bill with Secretary of State Cordell Hull and that "the

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Chinese Foreign Quarters Crisis Holds U.S. Troops

SHANGHAI, Feb. 22 (UP).—Leaves of a majority of United States Marines were cancelled today as Japanese outcries over activities of Chinese partisans threatened a crisis involving the interest of foreign countries.

The Japanese were expected to present a series of demands—reported from Tokio to amount to an ultimatum to authorities of the foreign - controlled International Settlement.

12,000 Strike When Martin Is Recognized

Chrysler Co. Wants to Deal With Committee of Splitter

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 22.—Twelve thousand workers of the Plymouth plant of the Chrysler Corp. struck at noon today when the management announced that it will recognize the shop committees of the legal United Automobile Workers of the CIO as well as the small pro-Homer Martin group headed by the Dies witness, Pat McCartney.

Leo Lamotte, president of the local and International Board member, served notice on the management that the union is giving up until noon today to recognize only the duly constituted shop committee of the U.A.W. When the management refused to grant this demand, the workers walked out.

A huge mass meeting was called at which Lamotte explained the situation which brought about the present strike, and placed the responsibility for it squarely upon the management, who violated the agreement with the U.A.W., and the split-off little group headed by McCartney, follower of Martin, the promoter of company unionism. There is a certainty that the night shift join the strikers unless the management gives into the demands to the union.

At the Cadillac plant on Detroit's West Side, under jurisdiction of the West Side Local 174, the management refused to recognize the union committee as well as the committee represented by Martin's stooge, Lovestoneite Steward Strachan.

It has been reported that the Murray Body Corporation was willing to sign a closed shop agreement with the U.A.W. and its Local, but

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Soviet Livestock Shows Big Rise For Year 1938

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

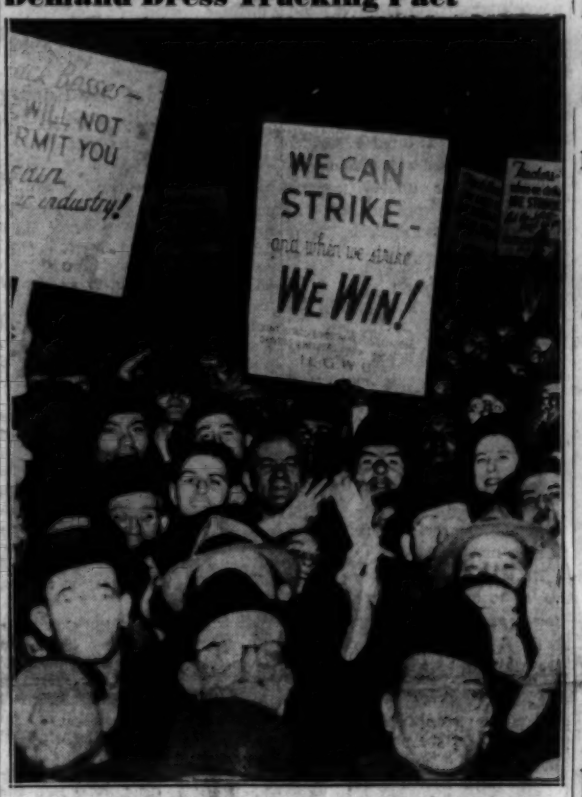
MOSCOW, Feb. 22.—Preliminary figures of progress of cattle breeding on Soviet collective farms show important advances during 1938.

The number of horses increased by 8 per cent, of foals 35 per cent, as compared with an increase of 1.2 per cent during 1938.

The stock of big-horned cattle increased 6 per cent, including an increase in the number of cows by 8 per cent.

Sheep and goat breeding was particularly successful, marking a 20 per cent increase last year.

Demand Dress Trucking Pact



Some of the 18,000 dressmakers who demonstrated on 35th St. between Seventh and Eighth Aves. Tuesday afternoon in protest against refusal of truck bosses to sign collective agreement. Mayor LaGuardia has called a conference today in an effort to avert a general dress trucking strike. —Daily Worker Photo

$250 Ransom Paid for B'klyn Kidnaped Boy

4-Year-Old Michael Katz Held for Two Hours Last Monday

Police disclosed yesterday that 4-year old Michael Katz, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Katz of 3287 Oceanic Ave., Sea Gate, Brooklyn, was kidnaped last Monday, held for two hours, and released when the child's father paid a few hundred dollars of the $7,000 ransom.

The child was spirited away from his Negro nurse, Lillian Beckitt, by two men who assured her that he was taking Michael to a kindergarden affair at Public School 100, at West Third St. near Park Place, Brooklyn.

One of the men, the nurse told police, gave her a note to take back to the parents, and then they hurried away with the child. The note proved to be a demand for ransom.

End Testimony As Hines Fails To Take Stand

Dodge Campaign Donors List Was Faked, Dewey Says

Testimony ended suddenly in the trial of Tammany district leader James J. Hines yesterday when the defense rested unexpectedly and District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey, prosecuting Hines as a bribe-taking political fixer for the Dutch Schultz lottery gang, presented only two rebuttal witnesses, then rested the State's case.

Defense counsel Lloyd Paul Stryker ended the Hines' defense without putting the Tammany leader on the witness stand to answer the State's charge that he took as much as $1,000 a week from the Schultz gang and in return corrupted at least three judiciary officers to the gang's advantage.

The sudden ending of the testimony was the day's second surprise. Earlier, Dewey wound up cross-examination of Tammany puppet William C. Dodge, his predecessor as District Attorney, by reading a list of names of persons named in State files as having contributed amounts ranging up to $500 to Dodge's campaign for election.

DEWEY HAS DOUBTS

It was Dewey's contention that none of these persons, some of whom were holders of minor political jobs, had made the contributions and the list was intended to cover amounts actually received from gangsters. The list was read over Stryker's violent objections.

Dodge alleged that he did not know personally whether any of the persons on the list had given his campaign anything or nothing. One of those on the list was a WPA employe credited with contributing $250.

It was decided that Stryker would sum up the defense case tomorrow and Dewey will present his closing argument Friday.

Loyalists Gird For Defense Of Madrid

Negrin Inspects Front at University City Sector

HENDAYE, French-Spanish Frontier, Feb. 22 (UP).—Loyalist sources reported today that preparations were going on for the defense of Madrid, with a general mobilization almost completed.

Premier Juan Negrin of Loyalist Spain was said to have inspected the front in University City on the outskirts of Madrid yesterday, alone and on foot.

All fronts were reported quiet, the only activity mentioned being additional fascist bombardments, of which the most severe was at Alicante. Considerable damage was reported there.

Dutch Vessel Torpedoed Off Azores—Report

U. S. Freighter Tulsa Says It Received Distress Call

The torpedoeing of a Dutch steamship South of the Azores by an unidentified submarine was reported yesterday on the strength of a single, undetailed radio message whose origin was uncertain.

Radiomarine Corporation reported receipt of the message from the American freighter Tulsa, which said it had heard the distress call from a vessel which signed the call letters PECC.

"Ship, name unkown, has been torpedoed by unknown submarine," the Tulsa radioed. "Position latitude 32.10 North, longitude 37.45 West. Sinking."

Shipping records disclosed that in 1936 the call letters PECC were issued to the 10,171-ton passenger vessel Flandria, owned by the Hollandsche Lloyd Line of Amsterdam. In the 1939 Lloyds register a vessel of the same description as the Flandria was listed as the passenger boat Bretagne, owned by the French Lines, with the call letters FNSB. Among other vessels named Flandria was a 159-ton light trawler.

Italians Raid Tunisia Garrison, Paris Hears

Report Fascists Repulsed; Both Governments Issue Denials

PARIS, Feb. 22.—Italian troops crossed the Tunisia-Libya frontier in North Africa last Friday and attacked French military forces stationed on Tunisia's defense lines, it was learned here today.

Reports of the clash placed Italian casualties at 80 men and said the French had lost only four men.

French officers were understood to have left their private homes and gone into barracks with their troops in readiness for instant marching orders.

The report, which arrived in Paris via diplomatic channels, was confirmed by private messages from Tunis.

PATROLLING COAST

In light of this report special significance was therefore placed on the extraordinary staff conference in adjoining Algiers called by General Auguste Nogues, supreme commander of France's defense forces in North Africa totalling more than 100,000 men, to consider measures to strengthen Tunisia garrisons with troops from Algeria and Morocco.

An unofficial disclaimer of the report was issued by the French Foreign Office.

Hitler Talk Hailed By Chamberlain As 'Fortunate'

BLACKBURN, Eng., Feb. 22 (UP).—Tory Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain, speaking at a Conservative Party rally here tonight, advocated "cooperation with full confidence" between Britain and Germany.

Referring to the forthcoming trade mission which Britain is sending to Berlin, he said:

"I agree with the words spoken by Herr Hitler last month when he said that cooperation between our peoples in full confidence with one another would be fortunate for the whole world."

Communist Descendants of '76 Honor Washington in Trek to Valley Forge

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22. — The Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania observed Washington's birthday today with a pilgrimage of sixty-five delegates from Communist units and sections to Valley Forge. The Communists covered 22 miles in bitter cold with autos bearing placards and American flags.

A committee of Party members, consisting of descendants of American Revolutionary soldiers, laid a wreath on Washington Monument. The wreath bore in gold letters "In Memory of George Washington, Father of the American Revolution." The committee of descendants included Paul and Lucia Geiselman and Carl Reeve.

The following are excerpts of a speech by Carl Reeve over Washington's monument:

"Two hundred and seven years ago today, George Washington, the father of the American Revolution, was born in Westmoreland, Virginia. And just 162 years ago, General Washington, here at Valley Forge, led the American revolutionary soldiers in the darkest days of the war against British tyranny.

"In the winter of 1777-1778, while Washington's ragged band starved and died of cold in Valley Forge, the British officers under General Howe lived in luxury in captured Philadelphia, 22 miles away. Tories and traitors entertained the British officers at fashionable balls and society dances, while the revolutionary soldiers froze and died of disease.

"This week we witnessed the disgraceful spectacle of Hitlerites and fascists making blasphemous use of the name of Washington to cloak their attacks on American democracy. On Feb. 17, at the Quartet Club in Philadelphia, German Nazis, under the guise of a so-called celebration of Washington's birthday, held a Nazi pro-Hitler meeting. A number of U. S. Army officers disgraced their uniform by joining these Hitlerites as honored guests.

"These fascist army officers who are pledged to uphold our Constitution, gave the Nazi salute in honor of Hitler, and sang the Horst Wessel song. Dressed in the uniform of officers of the U. S. Army, they applauded the attacks of the Hitler agent, Siegmund G. Von Bosse, on their Commander-in-Chief, the President of the United States.

"All upholders of American de-

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Nazis Could Bomb U.S., Senate Committee Told

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Southern shores of the United States are vulnerable to attack by Nazi bombers sent through South America and fueled and serviced at South American bases, a high Government official was revealed today to have told the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

The testimony was given by G. Grant Mason, Jr., a member of the Civil Aeronautics Authority, on Jan. 30, and was made public by Chairman Morris D. Sheppard, D., Tex. Mason said that Germany and Italy are making great strides in sales of airplanes in Latin-American countries and warned that if these advances are not arrested, the United States may be shut out of this market.

He said that if Germany desired to send a large number of four-motored bombing planes through Latin America to the Southern boundaries of the United States, she would "have the facilities to do so."

WOULD HAVE RESERVES

He explained that Germany would have large fuel reserves, parts and replacement in personnel "from place to place."

"What is the American defense against that?" inquired Sen. Warren R. Austin, R. Vt.

"That is the problem I hope Congress will solve," Mason replied.

In addition to making public Mason's testimony, the Senate Military Affairs Committee revealed that Secretary of War Harry H. Woodring had recommended that the present ceiling of 3,000 air-

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Lift Embargo Parade and Mass Meeting on East Side Tonight

LINCOLN VETS TO PICKET ITALIAN CONSUL

C.C.N.Y. Group to Take Names on Demand to Capital

A parade and mass meeting will mark a huge protest tonight on the East Side against the embargo on the Spanish Republic, it was announced.

Sponsors of the protest are the Lower East Side Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, and the Confederated Spanish Societies.

Speakers announced for a mass meeting at 50 Bowery immediately after the parade from the mobilization point at Rutgers Square at 7 P. M. are Assemblyman Garcia Rivera, and Capt. Martin Hourihan, veteran of the Spanish trenches.

VETS PLAN PICKETING

Capt. Martin Hourihan, New York Post Commander of the Veterans of the Lincoln Brigade, today issued a call to all veterans, doctors and nurses who served in Spain to report today to the Veterans headquarters, 22 West 46th Street, at 11:30 A. M. to mobilize for their picketline outside of the Italian Consulate, Radio City, New York.

"The veterans of the Medical Bureau and the Lincoln Brigade will continue to picket the Consulate," declared Hourihan, "until all Italian troops are withdrawn from Spain. I urge every person who served in Spain to report at the Vets' headquarters tomorrow in order to mobilize for this important action."

LEADERS AT C.C.N.Y. JOIN

Headed by Dean Morton Gottschall, a group of prominent professors and leading student groups of City College joined this week in initiating a "Lift the Embargo on Loyalist Spain" drive.

It will culminate tonight when Reverend William Spofford and George Watt, political commander of the Lincoln Brigade, will speak at a mass meeting in the Auditorium of the School of Business, Lexington Ave. and 23rd St. from which a delegation will be sent to Washington.

The delegation will bear to Washington petitions signed by scores of faculty members and hundreds of students calling for the lifting of the embargo.

In appeals issued to all faculty members, the student body and all undergraduate organizations, Dean Gottschall, Professors Alfred D. Compton, chairman of the English Department, Harry A. Overstreet, chairman of the Philosophy Department, John Hastings and Bernhard Ostrolenk of the Economics Department, Mr. John K. Ackley, Recorder of the College and Mr. Arthur Taft, Faculty Advisor to Student activities, joined the Reporter, undergraduate newspaper, the Student Council and the American Student Union in urging support of Thursday's rally.

GREENWICH VILLAGE MEETING TOMORROW

"The Truth About Spain" will be the theme for writers, educators and prominent leaders at a mass rally to lift the embargo on Spain, Fridy 8 o'clock. The rally, under the auspices of the Greenwich Village Joint Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, will take place at Public School No. 3, Hudson and Grove Street.

The Committee announced that among the many prominent people to speak will be Ernest Sutherland Bates; Oliver La Farge; and Muriel Draper, writers; Dr. Bella V. Dodd, of the American Federation of Teachers; Mrs. Ralph Stanwood Foss, a member of the Board of Directors, Women's City Club and Lieut. Giulio Fantini, secretary of the Friends of the Garibaldi Brigade. Eugene Connolly, of the Taxi Division, Transport Workers Union, will be chairman.

CONSTANCE KYLE AT BENEFIT

Constance Kyle, American social worker recently rturned from Madrid, will be guest of honor at a dance sponsored by the Social Workers' and Civil Service Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, 381 Fourth Avenue, Friday night at Manhattan Center, 34th Street and Eighth Ave.

Proceeds from the dance will go to the support of the Ethel Taylor Home for Children near Valencia, which the committee have been maintaining for over a year. Entertainment will be furnished by the Theatre Arts Committee.

RECEPTION FOR GROPPER FOR SPAIN AID

A reception to honor William Gropper, outstanding American artist, has been arranged by the Women's Division of the Medical Bureau and North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy next Sunday 4 P. M. at the A.C.A. Galleries, 52 West 8th Street, Ann Dutro, executive secretary of the Division, announced yesterday. Admission will be $1

Overcomes His Handicap

CANADA'S FAMED ONE-LEGGED SKIER IN ACTION: Jean-Yves Gosselin of Quebec, 20, who began to ski on crutches when he was 11, negotiates a jump on a slope of Mount St. Castin at Lac Beauport. In a recent race over six miles of difficult country he finished only three minutes behind the winner.

2 Soviet Parachutists Brave Sub-Stratosphere

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 22.—How'd you like to spend more than a quarter of an hour in mid-air, with the thermometer way below zero, and only the thin strands of a parachute to hold you up?

That's what two Coviet parachutists, Polosukhin and Shchukin, did today. In the first recorded sub-stratosphere jumps they dropped from a balloon at a height of 5,000 meters (16,500 feet).

For 17 minutes and 50 seconrs Shchukin dangled in the descending parachute until he made a safe landing. Polosukhin's leap lasted 20 seconds longer.

Thermometers carried by the jumpers recorded a temperature of 22 degrees below zero Fahrenheit during part of the jump.

Ashes of 23,500 Dead Japanese Troops Sent Home

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 22.—According to data of the medical department of the Japanese Army made public today, 23,500 urns containing ashes of Japanese soldiers killed in China were shipped to Japan from the Central Chinese Front between Jan. 1 and Feb. 10.

California Still Bragging; This Time It's the Fair

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21 (UP).—Officials of the San Francisco World's Fair announced today that attendance figures for the Fair's opening two days topped those of the Chicago's World's Fair by 50,200 paid admissions.

Paid admittances to the first day of the Chicago Fair totalled 119,675, officials said, in comparison to 128,667 here. On the second day, 52,884 visited Chicago's Fair in comparison to 93,192 at San Francisco.

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Pilot's Death in Ballanca Crash Blamed on Dive

PENNSVILLE, N. J., Feb. 22 (UP).—The crash death of Cecil Hoffman, 32, a test pilot employed by the Belalnca Aircraft Corporation of New Castle, Del., was blamed today on a screaming power dive that caused the aviator to lose consciousness.

Hoffman was killed instantly late yesterday when a new type lowwing commercial plane he was putting through one of its final Department of Commerce tests plummeted into a farm field near here. The motor was buried three feet in the earth.

Hoffman, a test pilot for Bellanca for the past five years, was married. He was a graduate of the army flying school at Kelly Field, Texas.

Senate Passes Bill Extending Life of RFC

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Senate today passed and sent to the White House a bill extending the life of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the Disaster Loan Corporation to June 30, 1941.

HAINAN PROVES TOUGH GOING FOR JAPANESE

Guerrillas Aid Chinese Regulars; 3 Battles Raging

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, China, Feb. 22.—Chinese military reports from Hainan today told of fierce battles on the big South China island.

The fighting ranged along the northern end of the island as the Japanese sought to push southward at heavy cost from the ports of Kiungchow and Hoihow, on the straits separating Hainan from Luichow peninsula of China's Kwangtung province.

A heavy battle was in progress southeast of Kiungchow, while a Japanese column of 300 soldiers which attempted to advance south of Linkow was routed by Chinese self-defense detachments.

These guerrilla units are aiding the Chinese regular army garrison in battling the invaders.

On Monday, a Chinese bomber squadron attacked a Japanese warship force near Hoihow, sinking one Japanese troopship and killing more than 300 soldiers.

Nazis Could Bomb U.S. Cities Senators Told

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planes be removed from the National Defense Bill so that the War Department could purchase a greater number.

He said that an increase in air power to 6,000 planes would be a "major contribution to the cause of national defense." He explained that it may be possible to reduce the unit costs of manufacture and thus enable purchase of a larger number of planes than the bill authorizes under the proposed appropriation.

WON BIG ORDER

Mason revealed how his agency dramatically won an airplane order for American manufacturers from a Colombian mission which was destined to go to Nazi Germany. He said that the mission started for Germany to purchase Junker planes for their commercial airline and that if the aircraft proved successful for commercial use that Colombia's present Junker military transports would be replaced with new type Junkers.

Representatives of the authority contacted the mission in New York two days before they were due to sail and kept them in New York. The result: the mission bought American equipment for their airline and will use similar planes for the military force.

Latest reports, he told the committee, show that there are 272 German and Italian planes in Latin America and 223 of them are military craft. These figures, he said, do not include the 99 planes which he said have been ordered from Germany and Italy but which had not been delivered at the time of the report.

SURVIVORS OF NAZI CAMPS HUNGER WITH REFUGEES IN FRANCE, EHRENBURG WRITES

Fleet Maneuvers Occupy Roosevelt

Temporary "White House" on Houston, Flagship of Defending Fleet; Movements of Vessels Kept Secret

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 22 (UP).—War maneuvers occupied President Roosevelt today as his Cruiser, the Houston, joined the fleet defending American shores from a theoretic invader.

Because of the necessity of keeping their movements from the "enemy," the Houston and the other vessels of the defending fleet, used their radios sparingly.

However, the Houston sent a dispatch to temporary White House offices here giving a brief account of what was happening.

Dated yesterday, the message from Captain Daniel J. Callaghan, aide to the President, said: "The U.S.S. Houston is approaching the zone of fleet problem operations and will therefore not give exact position. First reports of operations of the two fleets are beginning to come in.

"It may be emphasized that contrary to some stories the exercises are not being conducted in the Caribbean Sea, nor do they relate to the defense of the Panama Canal which is 1,500 or more miles east of the scene of this fleet problem."

It seemed apparent from the President's message that the defending portion of the U. S. fleet is seeking to repel the mock attack before the "enemy" fleet could obtain a landfall on South America or any of the Caribbean islands.

BASIC DETAILS SECRET

Success in repelling such an attack, it was pointed out, would prevent the "enemy" fleet from winning control of any base in this hemisphere from which further operations, such as an attack on the Panama Canal or a feint at important American seaports could be attempted.

The exact disposition of the attacking and defending portions of the U. S. fleet were, of course, shrouded in close secrecy. This secrecy is invoked in order that actual war time conditions may be simulated as closely as possible.

For this reason, the exact position of the Houston was not revealed. Nor was it anticipated that in future messages any but the most sketchy and general information would be given by the President as to the progress of the maneuvers.

However, it seemed apparent that evidence obtained in the mock attack and defense would be of high importance in molding future developments in U. S. relations with South America.

Mourning for Pope Ends as Election Nears

Expect Brief Balloting for Successor to Pius XI

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 22 (UP).—Official mourning for the late Pope Pius XI ended today when Papal flags were ordered to full mast again and tonight the full attention of the church turned to election of his successor.

There were strong indications that the Conclave of Cardinals, which convenes on March 1, would be of unusually short duration—probably only two or three days.

The delay in arriving here of two South American and one United States Cardinals has enabled the more than 50 Cardinals already in Rome to establish contact. Although there has been no discussion of specific candidates to date the problems which the new Pope must face have been studied in the light of finding the right successor to Pius XI.

Daily meetings of the Congregation of Cardinals which have been held since the day of Pope Pius' death are authoritatively stated to have shown that the Cardinals feel the vacancy should be filled as soon as possible because of the unsettled international situation.

The general Congregation of Cardinals met in Consistorial Hall and continued discussions concerning the conclave, which will begin on March 1. Later two special commissions met, one on conclave matters generally and the other to approve the names of the conclavists, or persons attached to the Cardinals while it is in session.

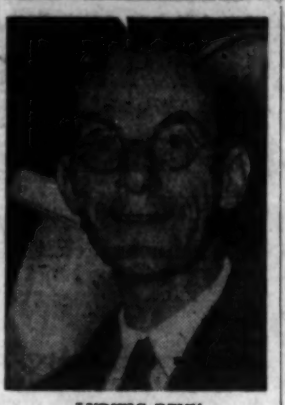
The Dean of the Sacred College, Cardinal Granito Di Belmonte, attended the meetings of both commissions. Mario Seganti, Vatican quartermaster, and Camillo Rebecchini, the engineer entrusted with material preparations for the conclave, reported on their work. The latter revealed that more than half of the 62 "cells" which the Cardinals will use are finished.

The first ballot will be taken on the morning of March 2. There will be two ballots each day—one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Vatican observers believe that the first two or three ballots, in accordance with tradition, will be formal expressions of each Cardinal's personal choice, regardless of whether his candidate would have a chance of obtaining the necessary two-thirds majority.

Probers on Way to Investigate the Eight-Plane Crash

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Read Admiral Frank H. Sadler and three other officers plan to leave here tomorrow for Pensacola, Fla., to investigate the series of crashes in which two student pilots were killed and eight planes destroyed.

A "crash board" at Pensacola today reviewed circumstances of the acidents, which occurred Monday night when heavy fog enveloped a 12-ship routine training flight.



LUDWIG RENN

Receive Names Of 48 Lincoln Vets in France

Drive on to Raise $20,000 to Bring 120 Home

The names of 48 of the 128 veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade now held in French concentration camps was received by cable yesterday by the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade from their Paris office.

A conference to raise $20,000 to provide for the men will be held Saturday, Feb. 25, at 2 P. M., at the Capitol Hotel. Three hundred telegrams were sent to leaders of trade unions and other progressive organizations inviting them to the parley.

The French government will not release the men until guarantees are made that the veterans will not become public charges while they are awaiting their passports. It will take up to three months to provide papers for the men.

All are in need of medical care because of their wounds and the appalling conditions which prevail in the camps.

The list of names follows:

Pansiot A. Hadjieff, Herman Johnson Bottcher, Karl Kirschner, Alexander Hormess, Siegfried Kaditz, Fried Jacob Schofs, Christian Blohmen, Richard Keoppl, Karl Meyers, William Schutt, Gastone Del Bianco, John Hagilaou, George Tsakes, Trip Buzeff, Hercules Arnuatis, Pavlos Fortis, Emanuel Pavlos, Sam Pappas, Mackal Paulov, Nicholas Ragioglou, Yrjo (Abraham) Kokkinen, Robert Jacob Salo, Erkki Tikainen, Erkki Aalto, Simo Arne, Meyer Fein, Herbert Tabachnick, Leo Roenthal, John Drakis, Peter Reitter, Vincent Sanchis Amades, Joseph Maseda, Jose Severa Sanchez, Henry Garcia Jiminez, Leonardo Alvarez, Louis Menendez, Ugencio Alfonso, Vincente Sanchis, Angel Louis Garcia, Henry Someillon, Thomas Babbin, Ilko Kusznir, Joe Takacs, John Takacs, Paul Sumogyi, Anthony Haji Thomas, John Niehbuhn.

Lincoln Brigade Calls Meeting of Bronx Veterans

A provisional Bronx committee of the veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade has called a meeting of all Bronx members of the Brigade Saturday 5 P. M. at 862 E. Tremont Ave.

At the meeting steps will be taken to form a Bronx committee of the New York Post of the Lincoln Brigade to carry on activities in the Bronx.

Approximately 80 returned veterans and members of the medical corpse living in the Bronx have been invited to attend.

Last Sunday, the Bronx County of the Communist Party honored 50 returned veterans and members of their families at a banquet in Bronx Cooperative Center, 2700 Bronx Park East. Over 200 per cent.

Navy Plane Damaged In Forced Landing

SHREVEPORT, La., Feb. 22 (UP).—An army transport plane damaged in a forced landing at Mount Enterprise, Tex., today was ordered dismantled for return to Duncan Field, Tex.

The 14-passenger plane was en route from Duncan Field at San Antonio to Barksdale Field here with a load of freight when its motors failed. Lieut. A. L. Kleinodor and two other occupants were uninjured when the plane landed yesterday in a plowed field.

USSR Reporter Tells of Noted Anti-Fascists Among Spain Vets

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 22.—Ilya Ehrenburg, noted Soviet journalist, in a letter in today's newspaper Izvestia, gives a heart-rending picture of the virtual prison camps set up by the French government for Loyalist refugees from Catalonia.

"The German author Ludwig Renn knows the concentration camps of Hitler Germany. Now he has made the acquaintance of the Saint-Cyprian concentration camp of freedom-loving France, where he is held incommunicado," Ehrenburg writes.

"Jose Petere, the Spanish poet, writes about this Saint-Cyprian camp: 'We have nothing to eat, we sleep on the bare ground, and we are isolated from the rest of the world. You can judge how weak I am from my handwriting.' The letters are misshapen . . . and Petere was a strong and healthy chap.

"All French magazines have written about the latest novel of Cesar Arconada. Arconada is sick. He sleeps on wet sand. Nobody is allowed to visit him.

VISITORS OUT—FASCISTS WELCOME

"Even representatives of the Spanish embassy are not permitted in the camp. The fascists, however, have access.

"I understand how difficult it is to 300,000 refugees. I do not want to draw political conclusions from facts of generosity and meanness.

"I simply feel ashamed for a country I love. It is not only because of the barracks which do not exist—it is a feeling of resentment.

"France of 1939 met the Spaniards as criminals. In 1914 I saw the French army retreating from Charleroi. I saw tens of thousands of refugees. Can sorrow be so easily forgotten?

"Seventy-four officers of Lister's division have been sentenced to prison like pickpockets. Their crime? Under orders they carried valuables to be brought to the Spanish consulate at Perpignan. They got two years for violation of the customs regulations, as if anybody thinks of customs duties during an evacuation.

VALUABLES SEIZED

"Meanwhile the valuables of the Spanish Republic have been confiscated.

"I saw a gendarme remove a bandage from a wounded Spaniard. He thought perhaps gold was hidden under the bandage. Under it was a fresh wound and the Spaniard kept himself from screaming.

"At the same time rich tourists come to Argeles to look from afar upon the sufferings of the people. Their grandfathers and grandmothers in similar fashion came to the Versailles park where the Communards were kept in pits.

"When a plane crashes, when a ship flashes an SOS, when mountain climbers are lost, expeditions set out from all countries. People attempt to save five or fifty people.

PEOPLE KEPT APART

"Ten thousand people are dying in a peaceful and well-provided country, but there are hard men who reply, 'Don't blackmail us with pity.'

"The people are not to blame for the humiliation of France. Fishermen and wine-growers bring bread, milk and warm clothing to the refugees.

"But the people of France and the people of Spain are separated by barbed-wire.

"In 1914 France repulsed the first blows of the enemy. Men of various countries offered their lives to France. They were taken into the Foreign Legion. Many of them perished in Champagne or the Argonne. Spaniards were among them.

"France was the world's favorite. Garibaldi in 1870 hurried to aid Paris. I still remember this France and I feel ashamed for the cold sand of Argeles, moistened with the tears of Spanish women."

Germans to Lose Citizenship in Foreign Legion

LISBON, Feb. 22.—Interior Minister Frick today decreed that any German national who enters the French Foreign Legion or prolongs his present period of service would lose German citizenship.

D.N.B., official Nazi news agency, said that "membership in the Foreign Legion serves interests which are completely alien to the German nation.

"Entering or remaining in the Foreign Legion damages the defense and labor forces of the (Nazi) nation and it cannot be made good or excused."

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MASS PROTEST CALLED IN WASHINGTON AGAINST D.A.R. BAN ON MARIAN ANDERSON

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Washington citizens of all races and religions will protest at a meeting Sunday night against the refusal of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the local Board of Education to allow use of their auditoriums for a concert by Marian Anderson, great Negro singer.

The meeting to be held at the Mt. Pleasant Congregational Church at 14th and Columbia Road, N.W., will be chaired by Reverend John L. Mixon, director of the Department of Social Welfare of the Washington Federation of Churches.

Over 35 constituent organizations of the committee, consisting of civic, religious, educational, professional, parent-teacher, trade union, and fraternal organizations, are sponsoring this public protest. It is expected that the meeting will be devoted to expressions of protest by representatives of numerous organizations and people prominent in the artistic world.

PROMINENT ARTISTS JOIN IN PROTEST

The refusal of the Daughters of the American Revolution to permit

MARIAN ANDERSON

Marian Anderson, noted Negro contralto, to give a concert in Constitution Hall, Washington, was condemned yesterday by the American Union for Democracy.

In a telegram to Mrs Henry M. Robert, Jr., president of the DAR, the American Union for Democracy declared:

"We read with astonishment the reports in the press that the Daughters of the American Revolution have refused the use of Constitution Hall to Marian Anderson, the noted Negro singer. This action, occurring as it does between the anniversaries of the births of our country's two most revered Presidents, Washington and Lincoln, makes a mockery of the ideals for which they struggled and which every patriotic American should make his own.

'It subverts the clear meaning of the United States Constitution and particularly of the Bill of Rights, and places your organization composed of the descendants of those who fought to make America the land of freedom, in the camp of those who today seek to destroy Democracy, Justice and Liberty.

"We can only hope that this amazing action reflects the opinion of some irresponsible official, and that your membership will be as vigorous in protesting as are we and all other lovers of our country."

The telegram was signed on behalf of the American Union for Democracy by William H. Osborn, its president.

Tickets for First Two 'Frisco Concerts of Anderson Sold Out

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22 (UP).—War Memorial Opera House was completely sold out today for the first of two concerts by Marian Anderson, Negro contralto, to whom the Daughters of the American Revolution refused the use of their Constitution Hall in Washington, D. C.

Among the members of the American Union for Democracy are: Herbert Agar; Bishop William P. Anderson; Chester Alan Arthur; Esther M. Arthur; Samuel L. M. Barlow; Rev. Dr. L. M. Birkhead; Tom Boggs; VanWyck Brooks; William V. Burke; Lucy P. Carner; Elmer A. Carter; William F. Cochran; Ernest Cuneo; Tom Davin; Dean Ned H. Dearborn; Edward Delafield, Jr.; Dr. William A. Eddy; Frances Farmer

Also, Jay Franklin; William C. Handy; Roy Harris; Dr. Edward L. Israel; Dr. Paul Hutchinson; Leon Kahn; S. M. Keeny; Garibaldi Lapolla; James D. LeCron; Clarence Low; Marvin Lowenthal; Dr. John Mackay; John E. Manley; Dr. Gabriel R. Mason; Rodney Mason; Burgess Meredith; Jean Muir; Gorham Munson; Rose O'Neill; Margaret LaFarge Osborn.

Also, Benjamin Pepper; Frank Ritchie; Alexander Salzman; Dr. Guy Emery Shipler; Rev. Robert W. Searle; Ferdinand A. Silcox; Dr. Robert K. Speer; the Rt. Rev. George Craig Stewart; Charles L. Stewart; Shauncey D. Stillman; Lynd Ward; Mrs. Vanderbilt Webb; William Allen White; Louise Bruera Whittlessey; Stanley P. Young.

Joining with the members of the American Union for Democracy were the following prominent New Yorkers; Dr. Henry Smith Leiper; Dr. John Van Schaick; Frederic Cromwell; William Callahan; M. E. Tracy; the Rev. Ralph W. Sockman; William Jay Schieffelin; Charles McAlpin Pyle; Oliver LaFarge; Louise Adams Floyd; William Floyd; the Rt. Rev. Charles K. Gilbert; Ernest Schelling; Walter Damrosch; Deems Taylor; Mrs. William Murray Crane

Stands Guard Over Injured Master

Fritz faces passersby seeking to aid his master, Charles Brooks, 61, who suffered a spinal injury when his auto truck collided with an oil truck in Old Westbury, N. Y. Police had to blindfold the dog to prevent him from running after the ambulance which took the injured man to a hospital.

BILL ON RIGHT TO REVOKE M.D. LICENSE HIT

Health Journal Cites It Can Be Used Against Group Plans

Defeat of the Coudert-Steingut Bill which would permit revocation of physicians' licenses for "unprofessional conduct," was urged yesterday in an editorial in Cooperative Health, magazine of the group medical movement.

"The bill, if passed, would give the State Medical Grievance Committee unlimited power to throttle the continuation of group plans in the State," the editorial charges.

Although the bill, introduced at the request of the State Education Department, is directed at the evil of fee-splitting, it could be used as a weapon against the establishment or development of low-cost, group medical plans, it was charged.

"Organized medicine's code of unprofessional conduct is so broad that the bill, if passed, would give the State Medical Grievance Committee unlimited power to throttle the continuation of group plans in the State" the editorial continued. "Because of this the bill must be defeated or so amended that it cannot be misused.

"Catch-alls are dangerous—especially in a penal statute with drastic penalties that this bill provides."

The editorial suggests that the sponsors of the bill should propose legislation specifically aimed at fee-splitting, and not propose a general bill, which might be used against group health plans.

Tammany Hacks Sabotaging Mandate Given by the People

By I. Amter

The people of New York are the victims of a spectacle that will be recorded in the annals of shame of our city. In 1937 the electorate went to the polls to continue the progressive administration that has existed in New York since the ousting of Jimmy Walker and the Tammany machine. With the inauguration of the **LaGuardia** administration, New York City moved forward into the **front line of progress** and became almost an example for the municipalities in the rest of the country.

Unfortunately, the same electorate that swept Mayor LaGuardia into power in 1937, not fully understanding the role of P. R., and not yet fully organized and united on platform and candidates to the City Council, elected one-half of the City Council out of Tammany hacks, and the remainder candidates of the A. L. P., Fusion, Republican, etc. The Republicans, in the course of time, swung over in part to the side where they belong—to the side of Tammany. **Hence we have the spectacle of an advanced, progressive city administration balked and sabotaged by a reactionary City Council.**

How could this happen? Simply because the people of New York, who are progressive and showed it in the election of Mayor LaGuardia, Newbold Morris, Stanley Isaacs, etc., did not understand how to vote for the City Council along the same lines. Secondly, as above stated, the progressives were not united on the question of candidates to the City Council, as they were united on the question of the Mayor, etc. **But the mandate to all city councilmen was contained in the sweeping victory accorded Mayor LaGuardia. This mandate they sabotaged.** The result is today a conflict and a state of affairs which is threatening not only to hamstring further progressive legislation, but at the same time to undo the progressive mandates already given by the people.

I. AMTER

TAMMANY TECHNIQUE

Thus for instance, in 1935, on the basis of a popular referendum, county reorganization was **overwhelmingly** voted by the people. It was so overwhelming that no one dares to challenge it — except the Tammany hacks.

Councilman Genevieve Earle introduced a bill to abolish county offices as decided by the electorate. This bill remained in committee **for months.** When finally it was forced out of committee, it was supinely defeated by the Tammany hacks and their allies. The Tammany stooges in turn introduced a bill that would put more power into the hands of Tammany judges and would result in practically no reduction in the expenditures of the city—and this at a time when city finances are in a critical condition.

The city finances are in this condition as a result, firstly, of **mismanagement of city finances** during the Walker and previous Tammany administration; and, secondly, because of mandatory laws enacted by the State legislature. Tammany has little patronage today and is trying to grab off whatever jobs it can, no matter what the people have declared and what city economy demands. Hence this flaunting of the will of the people and the attempt to sabotage legislation in the interests of the people.

RELIEF FUNDS SERIOUS

This becomes glaringly clear when one considers the unemployment and relief situation in New York City. In spite of the clamours of Big Business that government should stop interfering in its affairs and its promise that the millions of unemployed will then be rehired, there remain more than a million unemployed in our city. State finances, as proposed by Governor Lehman, are also in a difficult condition, because the Governor and those who support his policy see the possibility of increased taxation not of the rich, but only of the middle class and of the poor. New York City is demanding 60 per cent of relief funds from the State and 40 per cent to be raised by the city. This will reverse the present relation. However, when President Roosevelt's proposal of $875,000,000 for WPA was before Congress, a resolution was introduced into the City Council approving the President's action and urging the U. S. Congress to support it. **This resolution has been pigeonholed to date!** This shows the interest that Tammany has in the electorate of New York and how Tammany flaunts the will and disregards the needs of the people.

The plain citizen of New York can see through the shameful acts of sabotage of Tammany and its Republican allies. But Tammany and the reactionary Republicans have thus far managed to get away with it.

THE REASON WHY

This is due, among other reasons, to two things: 1) the fact that **there is not unity in the ranks of the progressives in the City Council.** Main responsibility, in this respect, rests upon the ALP members of the City Council. While Charney Vladeck was head of the ALP bloc, there was **a consistently progressive line and unity of action** on a progressive path in the City Council. This brought to the side of the ALP hesitant, wavering members of hte City Council. One can really say that under Vladeck the Mayor had real support in the City Council. Since Vladeck's death, the ALP City Councilmen have operated in a disorganized manner.

In certain instances, some of the ALP Councilmen have given aid to reactionary measures. Thus, for instance, only last Tuesday the ALP City Councilmen split on the question of the budget, the leader of the ALP bloc, Mr. Armstrong, and Mr. Ninfo, voting **with** the Tammany anti-administration group. Such actions only harm and lower the prestige of the ALP among the people, and make the ALP Councilmen in practice tools of Tammany.

2) **The electorate of New York have been too passive** during the more than a year of circus which characterizes City Council meetings. Listening over the radio to the "deliberations" of the City Council, one can only come to the conclusion that it is dominated either by **political charlatans,** which the Tammany stooges and Tory Republicans are—or by people directly sent to the City Council to obstruct any action in the interests of the people.

Perhaps **both factors are correct.** In any case, the City Council is not serving the interests of the voters. This is due to the fact that **the electorate has not been sufficiently articulate. We, the people, who elected the City Council, have it in our power to force the City Council to act in our interests. In the boroughs, in the mass organizations, trade unions, legislative conferences, community organizations, etc., we should pass resolutions on issues now before the City Council and on concrete issues we wish the City Council to act upon. Through delegations, etc., and through continued pressure, we should compel the City Council to act.** We gave them a mandate which the Council refuses to carry out. We must force them to do so.

NEXT ELECTION NEARS

We must immediately become alert to the **coming Councilmanic elections** to take place this fall. TAMMANY MUST BE OUSTED FROM THE CITY COUNCIL. This is essential if we are not to return to the days and methods of Jimmy Walker and Tammany.

The Communist Party intends to go to the people and expose as never before the acts of sabotage of Tammany and its allies in the Council. We intend to inform the people about the impotency and the obstruction practiced by their "representatives" in the Council against the will of the people expressed at the polls in November, 1937.

November, 1939, must see a **complete change** in the City Council. It must be a council expressing and reflecting the progressive spirit of New York. **"Not backward, but forward"** must be our motto. This can be achieved only by the **closest unity of all progressives,** which will be the only force that will drive out Tammany and make the Council the same progressive institution that the City Administration of New York is. This can be done—and will be done.

N.Y. Shows Birth Rate Drop in Last 7 Weeks

Seven Week Record Shows 757 Fewer Babies Than 1938; Last Week Shows 266 Rise; Maternity Deaths Continue Lower

In the last two weeks, 266 more babies were born in New York City than in the corresponding weeks last year, although the birth figures for the first seven weeks of 1939 are 757 lower than a similar period last year, the Health Department announced yesterday.

In the seven-day period ending Feb. 18, 2084 births were reported, just nine fewer than the preceding weeks. However, the infant mortality rate increased to 49.4 per 1,000 live births, the highest it has been for any week since that ending March 26, 1938. Ninety-six infant deaths were reported.

The maternal death rate continued low, with the total death rate of mothers in childbirth for the first seven weks being 44, as compared with 51 and 56 in the corresponding periods of 1938 and 1937.

Slight rises were noted in measles and whooping cough cases, while pneumonia, influenza, diptheria and scarlet fever cases declined. The report was turned into Acting Health Commissioner William H. Best by Registrar of Records Thomas J. Duffield.

Singer-Strike Spreads; Eight Branches Hit

200 CIO Salesmen Seek $16 Weekly Wage Minimum

The strike of Singer Sewing Machine Co. salesmen for wage increases and union recognition spread yesterday to seven more shops in Manhattan and Bronx, making eight in all.

The strike involves 200 Negro and white workers, members of the Sales and Service Employes Union, Local 232, affiliated with the United Retail and Wholesale Employes, CIO.

The union, according to David Talbot, president, is seeking a $16 minimum weekly wage plus $10 for car expenses.

$6 WEEKLY WAGE

Talbot charged that wages as low as $6 a week are being paid to some salesmen and that the cars used by the salesmen are operated at their own expenses.

Th stores now affected are at 151 Second Ave., 452 E. 14th St., 15 E. 14th St., 1389 Third Ave., 2281 Seventh Ave., 290 Lenox Ave., 317 W. 125th St., and 1322 Boston Road.

Talbot said that the strike will be extended to Brooklyn and Westchester, Charges against the firm are pending with the State Labor Relations Board.

Van Veen Asks Women Turn Out for Spain

Calls for Support on Embargo Names and Picket Line

Full support of a citywide women's mobilization to obtain signatures to lift the embargo against Spanish Democracy, was voiced by Sadie Van Veen, chairman of the New York State Women's Commission of the Communist Party in a statement released today.

Miss Van Veen called upon all progressive women to report to the headquarters of the North American Committee at 381-4 th Ave. Friday, Feb. 24, where they will be assigned to committees and receive instructions on the gathering of petitions.

Miss Van Veen also voiced the State Women's Commission's support of a women's picket line to occur the same day, Friday, Feb. 24, between the hours of 4 and 6 P. M. in front of the Italian Consulate, 50th St. and 5th Ave.

"Nothing must be left undone in these crucial days," she declared, "which can in any way aid our brothers and sisters of democratic Spain. In company with thousands of other women we confidently expect thousands of signatures will be collected on Feb. 24, Women's Mobilization Day, and that a staunch line of women pickets will display their horror and disgust at the Mussolini invasion of democratic Spain."

State, Federal Salaries Tax Is OK'd by Comm.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Senate Finance Committee today reported favorably a house bill providing for reciprocal taxation of state and federal salaries.

The bill would cover salaries received after Dec. 31, 1938.

The bill provides only for reciprocal taxation of govermental salaries. It does not include President Roosevelt's proposal for reciprocal taxation of income from gvernmental securities.

The securities proposal will be treated later after study.

Senate majority leader Alben W. Barkley, D., Ky., hoped to obtain action on the bill before the weekend.

800 at Buffalo Lenin Memorial Meeting

Over eight hundred persons of Buffalo and vicinity gathered last Sunday night, at Harugari-Frohsinn, Hall, Genesee at Spring St., to pay tribute to the memory of Lenin at a meeting sponsored by the Lenin Memorial Committee.

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, columnist of the Sunday Worker and prominent woman leader, was the main speaker.

Newsstand Workers CIO Union Reports Raises in Contract

The Retail Newsstand Employes Union, Local 906-B, CIO, yesterday announced that a contract was signed with the Publishers Surplus Corp.

The pact provides for $1 to $3 weekly wage increases, the 40-hour week, six holidays with pay and the preferential shop. Aaron Schneider is business manager of the union.

Wisconsin Farmers, Liberals Unite With Labor on Social Legislation

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 22.—Three hundred delegates and observers from 164 organizations representing over 225,000 members attended the Wisconsin Conference on Social Legislation held at Loraine Hotel here over the week-end.

Representing virtually a cross section of Liberals from all walks of life—labor, farmers, civic organizations, educators, legislators and town officials—the conference was the most striking exhibition of progressive unity in Wisconsin in recent times.

The legislation adopted by the conference provided a meeting ground for leaders of the Progressive Party as well as prominent New Deal Democrats.

At the opening session Assemblymen Alfonsi, Progressive floor leader in the State Legislature, analyzed the work of the legislature so far and the danger of Governor Heil's economy budget, which while not reducing appropriations, nevertheless cuts social service wholesale.

GARRISON SPEAKS

Dean Lloyd Garrison of Wisconsin University Law School spoke on labor legislation and made a stirring plea for unity of labor which he saw typified in this conference through the strong representation and common action of both AFL and CIO unions.

Mrs. Louise Givan, Democratic national committeewoman for Wisconsin, spoke on the achievements and aims of the New Deal and the necessity of united support for President Roosevelt and his entire program.

She declared that the people of progressive and liberal Wisconsin must unite their forces to see that there can be no repetition of last election where reactionary Republicans were elected to state offices and to Congress by a minority vote due to the lack of unity in liberal ranks.

Saturday evening and Sunday morning were devoted to round tables on the following:

Labor legislation, headed by Gordon Hey of the AFL and Meyer Adelman of the CIO;

Old age pensions, headed by Professor William Card;

Farm aid, headed by Assemblyman Kennedy;

Relief, headed by State WPA Administrator Phillip Flanner and state chairman of Workers Alliance Arthur Ludfigsen;

Education, headed by Dean Holt of the College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin and E. G. Doudna, president of the Wisconsin Educational Association and Public Welfare, headed by Mrs. H. V. Schwalbach and Professor William Gorham Rice.

The high point of the conference was the unanimous and repeated demonstration of unity between workers and farmers in reply to the attempt of the reactionaries through their tool, the Wisconsin Council of Agriculture, to make the farmers the front for their vicious anti-labor bill 154A which would virtually illegalize labor unions in the state.

A special resolution was passed on the initiative of the labor delegates urging all unions to call their entire membership to turn out in Madison on the day when the anti-labor bill comes up for voting in the assembly.

Tremendous applause greeted the report of the farmers round table given by Arvid Salonen, town chairman of Somb, which brought in a resolution from the farmers condemning this vicious bill and repudiating it on behalf of the farmers of Wisconsin.

The conference likewise gave a tremendous response to the report of the round table on labor legislation delivered by Gordon Hey, president of the Waukesna Trades and Labor Council. The report showed complete unity of the AFL and CIO delegates, both groups concurring in a resolution against any weakening of the objectives of the National Labor Relations Act.

Assemblyman Alfonsi described methods by which each participating organizations can rally all its support for pressure in support of progressive legislation. He outlined a plan for permanent organization of the conference through a committee to be set up with representtives from each congressional district and the key participating organizations.

Illegal Spending Charged Against Waterbury Mayor

WATERBURY, Conn., Feb. 22 (UP).—Thousands of dollars a year for auditing services were added today to the more than a million dollars the prosecution charges the city administration of Mayor T. Frank Hayes spent within five years without authorization of the Board of Finance.

James P. Purcell, Chief Accountant in the Comptroller's office, testifying for the seventh consecutive day, identified four checks made out to the George H. Kingsley Co. of New York, in 1934 for a total of $5765.91, and estified that one year, he could not remember which, $27,000 was paid for auditing.

Husband of Bridge Expert Found Dead in Gas-Filled Apartment

Lewis Osborn, 35, tournament bridge player and husband of Florence Osborn, bridge expert, was found dead today in his gas-filled apartment at 175 East 79th Street.

The door and windows had been sealed with adhesive tape and five jets on the range had been opened. A note addressed "to whom it may concern" asked that the body be cremated.

The gas caused a slight explosion which broke several windows in the apartment, but police said no serious damage was done.

East Side Forum Talk On Nazi Rackets in U. S.

The Clinton Street Branch of the Communist Party is holding the second of a series of forums Sunday at 8 p. m., at its headquarters, 66 Clinton Street, N. Y. The discussion will be on "Nazi Rackets in America Exposed." The speakers will be Robert Gair, prominent authority on anti-Semitism movements.

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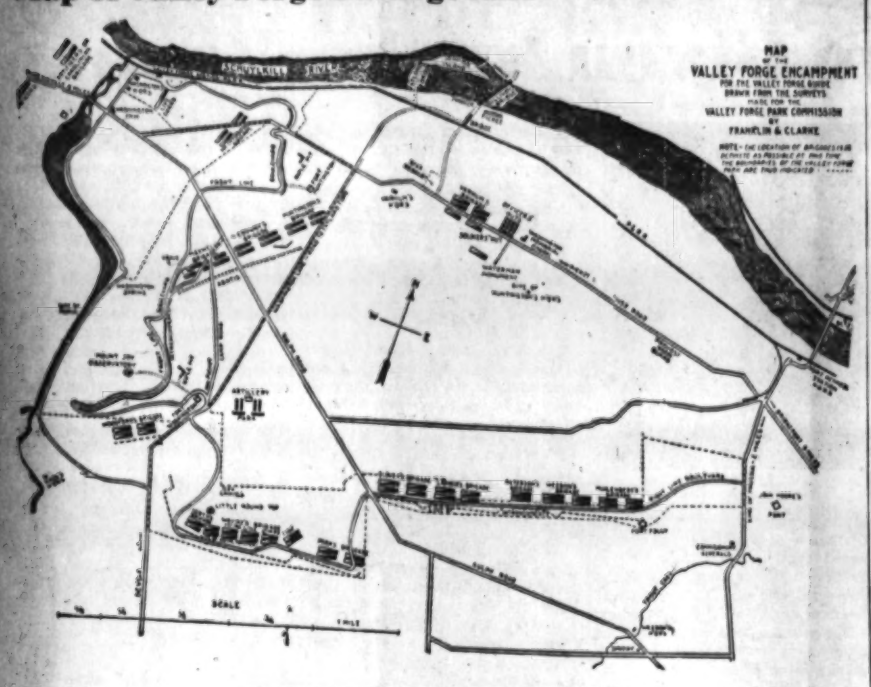

Communist Descendants of 1776 Soldiers Honor Washington

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mocracy which Washington founded, pledge themselves on Washington's birthday to smash these Nazi and fascist plots against American democracy. We pledge to George Washington's memory that Hitlerism will never triumph in the United States. We pledge an uncompromising fight against disloyalty to our American democracy on the part of those fascists and reactionaries.

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"We descendants of the American Revolutionary heroes of Valley Forge today want to see realized those democratic ideals for which the soldiers of Valley Forge sacrificed so much. The Communist Party wants to preserve and extend those ideals of democracy, of freedom of religious worship, of civil liberties, of a secure and happy life, free of oppression, which drove our forefathers on to victory when they were starving and dying here at Valley Forge.

"The Communist Party honors George Washington and his Revolutionary soldiers who could not be defeated by hardships or suffering because they marched on the side of progress, of battle against tyranny, and oppression, on the side of freedom, civil liberties, security for the people and democracy."

Labor Battles for Social Legislation Against Tory Line-up at Budget Hearing

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Merwin K. Hart, who recently received the public gratitude of the "Butcher" Franco for his aid to the Fascist cause in Spain.

Threatening a "revolt" of private enterprise, Hart shouted for the repeal of the "little Wagner Act," and the emasculation of all liberal legislation enacted in recent years. He demanded a 20 per cent cut in the budgetary outlay for education and the limiting of school subjects to the three "Rs." He brought relief and unemployment insurance under his fascist axe.

Hart's testimony gave added emphasis to the speech of Isidore Begun in which the Communist Party's legislative representative declared that grave social issues were involved in the contest over the budget.

Declaring that the field of social legislation has become an important battleground in the struggle of progress and reaction.

Begun told a suddenly hushed chamber:

"We are here to decide whether the country is to move forward or backward."

He warned against any policy of "appeasement" toward the reactionaries who are demanding hunger and insecurity for the people.

Begun preceded his remarks by declaring that the Communist Party wants efficient government at the "cheapest possible price."

"Every committee has said that relief is inadequate," he said, "not we Communists alone. Is there too much education in the state that there are suggestions to cut school funds?"

Pointing out that Abbot Low Moffat's tax study shows how $21,000,000 can be raised through existing income tax laws, Begun said it was also time to make the public utilities bear their just share of the cost of government.

"One day the utilities scandal will blow up big," he said, "and hit in many places."

Declaring that ruin, not economy was the object of the reactionaries, Begun warned: "If the house falls, Communists and non-Communists will be caught alike."

Much has been said about "revolt," the C.P. State Committee member observed:

"This should be brought to the attention of the Senator who is always looking for revolts."

The reference was to Senator McNaboe, who recently introduced a fascist measure disguised as a "protection against" violent overthrow of the government.

2,500 SCMWA MEMBERS

An attempt by a real estate representative to muzzle Begun's testimony was denied by Assemblyman Moffat, who presided at the hearings.

The demagogy with which the big business interests are stirring up small taxpayers was laid bare by Begun who pointed out that if State aid is reduced it is precisely the small business man who will have to carry the increased burden of local taxes.

The full tax program of the CIO and many progressive organizations present was stated by Henry Wenning, President of the New York District of the CIO, State, County and Municipal Workers Union which brought 2,500 members to the hearing.

Declaring firm opposition to the levying of a state sales tax, the union recommended the following taxes to carry out the Governor's recommended expenditures, plus a $35,000,000 increase in relief.

(1) A $50,000,000 emergency bond issue.

(2) A special emergency tax on all net taxable income over $5,000. This is to be over and above any income tax now payable.

(3) Raise the rates of the stock-transfer tax to yield an additional $16,000,000.

(4) Raise the rates of the estate tax to yield an additional nine million.

(5) Raise the rates of the franchise tax on state and national banks, and other financial institutions.

(6) Raise the yield of the personal income tax by:

(A) Raising the rates on a progressively graduated basis far above the present 7 per cent flat rate applicable to all incomes over $5,000.

(B) Restoring the rate of tax on net capital gains so that it shall again equal the rate on ordinary income. (In 1938 it was cut to half.)

(7) Raise the corporative income tax which is now a flat 6 per cent by raising the rates on a graduated basis in the higher brackets.

(8) Raise the rate of franchise tax on insurance companies to yield an additional two and a half million dollars.

Willis R. Morgan, vice-president of the Workers Alliance of N. Y., asked that the relief appropriation be increased 50 per cent with the state share 60 per cent of the cost, and that payment of relief in cash be made mandatory throughout the state. He recommended that the legislature set up a joint committee to determine the means necessary to finance these proposals.

The unemployed leader charged the Republican Party with seeking to throw relief back to the localities and from the localities to the block in a "squeeze play with the unemployed thrown out at first."

The hearings will be resumed Friday morning.

Among the progressive organizations represented at the hearing were the following:

Advisory Committee of New York State Minimum Wage Laws; New York Women's Trade Union League; League of Women Voters; Joint Committee of Teachers' Organizations; United Parents Association; American Labor Party; State County and Municipal Workers of America; New York State Industrial Council; United Wholesale and Warehouse Employes; Textile Workers Organizing Committee; New York Joint Council, United Office and Professional Workers; Workers Alliance; Yorkville Consumers Conference; Lower East Side Federation; Young Communist League; N. Y. State Communist Party; New York State Federation of Teachers and the International Ladies Garment Workers of America.

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For the Record: Nazis Blast 11, Praise 10

By Lowell Wakefield

Let it be placed upon the record that ten men were mentioned with approval by Fritz Kuhn and other officials of the Nazi German-American Bund in their speeches Monday night at Madison Square Garden; that each of these won applause from the fascists there assembled; that the names upon this roll of dishonor are:

Father Coughlin, Hitler, Herbert Hoover, Senators Gerald P. Nye, Hiram Johnson and General Hugh Johnson, Major-General Van Horn Moseley, Rev. Edward Lodge Curran, Congressman Martin Dies, Mussolini.

Let it also be remembered that the eleven individuals singled out for attack by the agents of Hitler were:

President Franklin D. Roosevelt and four members of the cabinet, Attorney-General Frank Murphy, Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, Secretary of Commerce Harry Hopkins, and Secretary of Interior Harold Ickes, Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter, columnist Walter Winchell, attorney Samuel Untermeyer and Bernard Baruch, former head of the War Industries Board; Congressman Samuel Dickstein and former Congressman Thomas Amlie.

Export-Import Bank Extended By House Vote

Defeats Two Republican Attempts to Amend

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bill is in accord with the desires of the administration."

Jones was asked to explain a statement in which he said that other nations were making credits to South America.

"That is true," he said, "the countries of South America are, so to speak, young countries. They are debtor countries. They have to have credit. We don't want the South American trade to get away from us. We should try to hold that trade and get some back that we have already lost. I think we must help them. I think it is to our benefit to do so."

SENATE APPROVES TVA APPROPRIATIONS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—The Senate today approved the $1,668,218,340 independent offices appropriation bill including a $17,-131,000 item for Tennessee Valley Authority dam construction.

The measure now goes back to the House for conference over the TVA appropriation. The sum, to be used in constructing Watts Bar and Gilbertsville dams, was eliminated originally in the House and then restored to the bill by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Attack on the TVA funds was led by the Senate "Economy" bloc which last month succeeded in cutting $150,000,000 from President Roosevelt's WPA fund.

Principal items in the bill included:

Executive office, $450,950; Civil Aeronautics Authority, $21,218,000; Federal Power Commission, $2,715,-000; Federal Trade Commission, $2,324,000; Interstate Commerce Commission, $8,908,000.

National Labor Relations Board, $3,189,600; Railroad Retirement Board, $123,404,000; Securities and Exchange Commission, $5,370,000; Social Security Board, $350,000,000; Tennessee Valley Authority, $39,-003,000.

A. F. of L. Liquor Salesmen Win $2 Weekly Pay Rise

A $2 weekly wage increase has been obtained by Local 906-A, Retail Liquor Salesmen, AFL, as a result of an arbitration decision handed down against the Retail Liquor Store Owners Association of New York.

The wage increase is retroactive as of Jan. 7. The minimum wage scale in the industry is now $27.50 weekly. The union originally demanded a $35 minimum.

The Association, which had turned down all demands for wage increases, had sought to stop the arbitration proceedings, provided for in the agreement.

12,000 Strike When Martin Is Recognized

Chrysler Co. Wants to Deal With Committee of Splitter

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the Ford Motor Company, which has placed some orders with that Corporation was reported to have informed Murray Body that if it will sign a closed shop agreement with the U.A.W., Ford will withdraw his orders.

All these developments indicate further how sinister is the movement organized by Martin in the attempt to split the union, and work with certain anti-union employers to weaken the economic gains that the workers obtained during years of struggle.

Martin's speech on the radio last night made it quite clear that he is looking toward the A. F. of L.

In his speech he declared:

"If the A. F. of L. does perchance look upon a fight against dictatorship (Martin means here John L. Lewis and the CIO) with a friendly eye, that does credit to the A. F. of L."

This paragraph in the speech of Martin in which he viciously attacked the CIO and its outstanding leaders, it is clear, attempts to carry the split further into the ranks of the U.A.W.

It should be remembered that in the bill of complaints filed in circuit court in Detroit against the U.A.W. and the CIO, Homer Martin declares that the U. A. W. is "acting under a charter duly issued by the A. F. of L." Furthermore he demands that attempts to affiliate or affiliation with the CIO should be null and void.

George Addes, International Secretary-Treasurer of the U.A.W., issued the following statement on Martin's speech of last night:

"If the A. F. of L. wants Martin it is welcome to him, but the auto workers want neither Martin nor the A. F. of L. They have tried both and found them wanting. It is indeed a happy day for the U.A.W. when it finds its enemies out in the open and in the same camp."

When agents of Martin brought his anti-union propaganda sheet to Mack Avenue plant of the Briggs Corporation yesterday, the workers without any difficulty took over all the papers and made a sizable bonfire in front of the plant.

Italy Increases Africa Troops, Commons Told

LONDON, Feb. 22 (UP).—Richard A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State For Foreign Affairs admitted in the House of Commons today that Italian troops in East Africa apparently have been reinforced recently.

"I understand that the official establishment of troops in Italian East Africa, including Italian Somaliland and Eritrea, totals 69,654," Butler told Arthur Henderson, Laborite, in reply to a question.

Selassie Spokesman Hails Reports About Ethiopian Revolts

Dr. Bayen Praises Daily Worker Story on Resistance

By Ben Davis, Jr.

"Every setback to Mussolini in Spain helps the Ethiopian people to regain their independence," declared Dr. Malaku E. Bayen, personal representative of Emperor Haile Selassie, in an exclusive interview with the Daily Worker yesterday.

Dr. Bayen's statement was made in commenting upon a front page story in yesterday's Daily Worker, showing the continued and heroic resistance of the Ethiopians against the Italian fascist invaders.

"There is no doubt but that the guerrilla warfare of the Ethiopian chiefs is on a much wider scale even than the stories show. This story in your paper confirms the information which I receive here through private and tortuous sources from the Ethiopian people," Dr. Bayen said.

"But just the same, I'm very happy to see the Daily Worker carry news of the unconquerable spirit of the Ethiopian people."

URGES ASSISTANCE

The Daily Worker story pointed out that many of the Italian troops in Ethiopia had been forced to mutiny because effective Ethiopian guerrilla warriors had cut off their sources of food.

Dr. Bayen is head of the Ethiopian World Federation, Inc., at 2331 Seventh Ave. The Federation is now conducting a campaign for aid to the Ethiopian people and to Ethiopian refugees who are constantly fleeing fascist terror across the border into French and English African possessions. The organization also publishes a weekly newspaper, The Voice of Ethiopia.

"The greatest support should be given to the Spanish people in their fight against Mussolini and against fascism. Every time the fascists win in victory in Spain at all, it hurts my cause. On the other hand, every time Mussolini receives a setback it aids the fight of my people in Ethiopia. It weakens Mussolini, and therefore makes it easier for my people to drive the fascists out of Ethiopia.

"You can say definitely that I think democracy in Spain should receive the assistance of all who are true friends of the Ethiopian people," Dr. Bayen continued.

RESISTANCE REPORTED

"So Mussolini not only has his troubles in Spain but he has them in Ethiopia. And you can rest assured, the Ethiopian people are giving him much more trouble than gets in the regular press."

Dr. Bayen asserted that Ethiopian refugees were located in such French and English cities as Khartoum, Djibouti (which Mussolini is now trying to seize from France in order to bottle up the Ethiopians from the East African coast), Kenya, Aden and other places.

"I get news of Ethiopian resistance from these places, but it requires a very long time for it to reach me. Meantime it is possible for aid to be sent to these refugees located in the British and French African colonies."

Dr. Bayen was educated in America at Howard University. He is a nephew of Emperor Selassie and he served as a physician with the Ethiopian defense forces. His wife, an American Negro woman, said, "that's wonderful," as soon as she heard the news of the Ethiopian guerrilla successes.

Guild Chicago Hearst Strike Tension Rises

Mayor Kelly Promises Probe of Police Conduct

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Increasing tension today marked the strike of the Chicago Newspaper Guild against the Hearst Evening American and Herald & Examiner, following Saturday's clash near the Hearst Building in which 17 persons were injured.

At the request of a Hearst employe, a dozen Guildsmen observers were searched by a policeman at the point of a gun late Monday on State St. after a car of Hearst thugs had threatened five Guildsmen distributing leaflets near a Sears & Roebuck store at State and Van Buren. No weapons were found and no Guildsmen were arrested.

Guildsmen reported that the policeman refused to search Hearst sluggers at the strikers' request.

TWO ARRESTED

Charles Traugott, 27, of 2788 Newland; and Henry J. McGinnis, 29, of Palatine, Ill., striking branch managers, were arrested Monday at Wieboldt's store, Ashland and Monroe Sts., by park policeman Robert Rolfe and charged with distributing handbills on a boulevard. They were released on $25 bail each.

In the meantime, disorderly conduct charges against the two Guildsmen and three Hearst-hired thugs who were arrested following Saturday's clash near the Hearst plant were dismissed by Judge Francis Borrelli.

Most seriously hurt Saturday were Arthur Graviss, 26, of 7543 N. Ridge Ave., striking circulation branch manager, who required seven stitches to close a head wound; and Robert Wicks, 25, of 635 Woodland Park Ave., a Daily Record employe, who is in St. Luke's Hospital with serious head injuries.

A Guild delegation, protesting the ruthless attacks by Hearst thugs, Sunday received a promise from Mayor Edward J. Kelly that a sweeping investigation of police conduct in connection with the Guild's strike against the two Hearst papers immediately would be launched.

Anti-Semitic Sticker Pasters Apologize; Free

Lions Schreck and Joseph Hartely, jailed for pasting up "Buy Christian" stickers in the Nazi Bund-Father Coughlin anti-Semitic campaign, are back in their homes today with suspended sentences hanging over their heads as a deterrent to further illegal activities.

The pair were brought before Magistrate Brodsky in West 54th Street night court late Tuesday after spending seven days in prison, admitted their guilt, apologized to the court and were let go with a suspended sentence and a denunciation by the court of the un-Americanism of the drive in which they participated.

Schreck had pasted the stickers on newspapers on the stand of a Yorkville merchant who caught him and had him arrested. Followers of Father Coughlin and Nazi German-American Bund members have been carrying on a campaign in all five boroughs, defacing the stores of Jewish merchants and pressuring non-Jewish store keepers to pay tribute for listing on a "Christian approved list."

DR. MALAKU BAYEN

Freighter Afire In Gulf; SOS Bringing Help

Crew Fights Blaze in 'Texas Banker' Hold; Wind High

MOBILE, Ala., Feb. 22 (UP).—The steamer Texas Banker, a general cargo ship of 2,600 tons, is afire 272 miles southwest of the Mississippi River Passes and calling for help, Coast Guard headquarters reported late today.

The Texas Banker reported its Nos. 3 and 4 holds were afire and the flames were being fanned by a high wind.

Four Coast Guard vessels started to the rescue—the cutter Tampa, from Mobile, the cutter Saranac from Galveston, the patrol boat Mike from Gulfport and the patrol boat Legare from the Mississippi River entrance.

REPORT MESSAGES

(In New York, Radiomarine Corporation and the S.S. Paulsboro reported receiving distress messages from the Texas Banker. Radiomarine said the vessel reported its crew was uncertain that it could extinguish the fire. The Paulsboro said it was about 160 miles from the Texas Banker in the Gulf of Mexico.)

The Texas Banker is owned by the Newtex Steamship Corporation of New York and was en route from New York to Houston. It carried no passengers.

In addition to the Coast Guard boats, eight commercial vessels raced to the stricken vessel's aid, one of them, the S.S. Alexander Hoegh, from a position only 80 miles away. The others were the Spaandam, El Isleo, Paulsboro, J. E. O'Neill, L. L. Abshire, the British steamer Wanstead and the Santa Elisa, nationality not known.

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C. P. NATIONAL COMMITTEE CALLS FOR SUPPORT TO FREIHEIT $100,000 DRIVE

The National Committee of the Communist Party yesterday issued the following statement, signed by Earl Browder, general secretary, on the drive for $100,000 launched by the Morning Freiheit, Jewish daily organ of the Communist Party, U.S.A.:

The National Committee of the Communist Party of the U.S.A. urges every Jewish Communist as well as every Jewish progressive to do his utmost in the financial drive the Morning Freiheit is now conducting.

In the present struggle against anti-Semitism which is the instrument of the reactionary fascist forces against the labor movement, against democracy and American traditions, the Morning Freiheit proved to be one of the most valiant fighters mobilizing Jews and—through them—non-Jews for the common struggle against the enemy of the people and of all humanity, fascism.

The Morning Freiheit rejected the false and harmful policy of certain Jewish leaders and Jewish newspapers who preached a policy of donothing on the part of the Jews, for fear that this will only *enrage* the enemy. The Morning Freiheit has courageously stood its ground alone among the entire Jewish press in helping to mobilize tens and hundreds of thosands of Jews and non-Jews in protest demonstrations, such as the meeting held in Madison Square Garden November last, and to arouse public opinion in the United States against the Nazi pogroms and against anti-Semitic propaganda. Thanks to this stand, many leaders and organizations were convinced of the danger of such policies.

The Morning Freiheit is a powerful voice, calling for the united front and people's front. The Morning Freiheit is a builder, it builds the democratic front among the Jews, it helps build the trade union movement, it is a builder of the Communist Party.

It is a powerful medium of education and culture among the Jewish people. It has helped build and develop numerous cultural organizations such as singing societies and orchestras, literary circles and dramatic groups. Alone among the Jewish newspapers it fought for the establishment of a united front of various writers and cultural workers to protect and develop the Jewish culture.

This valuable daily organ of the Jewish people is now undergoing a most critical period. Its existence is now threatened as at no other time in its history. The Morning Freiheit is now conducting a drive for $100,-000 in order to secure its existence throughout the year of 1939. If the Morning Freiheit is really to go on with its important task, this drive must be an immediate success. For only immediate and liberal assistance will make it possible for the Morning Freiheit to continue.

It is the honorable task of every progressive Jew, of every Jewish worker and in the first place of every Jewish Communist to safeguard the Morning Freiheit by throwing in all energy for an immediate success of the drive. The struggle against anti-Semitism is one of the main struggles against fascism and reaction. The loss of the Morning Freiheit would constitute a severe defeat for the forces of progress not only among the Jews. The Morning Freiheit must go on and with the assistance of the Jewish workers and all progressive Jews, it will be able to render the Jewish people and Americans generally still more and still better service in these serious times. We need the Morning Freiheit now more than ever!

NATIONAL COMMITTEE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.
EARL BROWDER,
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Lovestoneites and Trotzkyites Busy Splitting the UAW

Old Guard Socialists Ascribe Martin Split to CIO "Dual Unionism" and Thomas Socialists Blame "Stalinism" in an Attempt to Whitewash Martin

By ROY HUDSON

The great majority of auto workers, aided and supported by the CIO and every other friend of trade unionism, are effectively meeting the union wrecking drive being carried on by Lovestone's tool, Homer Martin, on behalf of Henry Ford, Father Coughlin and other anti-union interests. In meeting this attack, both the auto workers and the CIO are demonstrating the new strength and greater understanding of the labor movement.

While there can be no doubt that the outcome of the auto crisis will be in favor of the workers, this whole situation reflects the determination of the die-hard open-shoppers—the Girdlers and Fords—to divide and weaken the democratic and progressive movement of the people by disrupting its main backbone, the trade union movement, and especially the CIO. Furthermore, the auto crisis has become a touchstone, exposing again the anti-union face of the Trotzky-Lovestonite agents of fascism, and at the same time revealing the aid given the employers and their stooges by the wrong policies of the Old Guard Socialists, as well as by the bankruptcy of the Norman Thomas brand of "socialism."

The Lovestonites, naturally, give full support to their mouthpiece and the agent of the auto barons, Martin. Moreover, they provide him with a "political" platform for his union wrecking and splitting activities. Undoubtedly the present situation taxes their resources to the limit, but the "brain trusters" of this outfit of international stool-pigeons are capable of the job. As an example of their virtuosity, take the following explanation and justification of Martin's expulsion of 18 members of the Board as "a strategical move of considerable shrewdness in that it threw into chaos the well-laid plans of the International Board."

ROY HUDSON

WRECKERS SMOKED OUT

However, the most important thing to note is that the auto crisis has smoked these union wreckers out. They are no longer able to hide their activities behind the so-called "anti-Communist" slogan of Hitler, Mussolini and the Mikado. That their fight is really against the CIO is admitted in the **Workers Age** (paper of the Lovestonites) in an editorial on the so-called "Crisis in CIO" which states:

"The situation in the U.A.W. is a most dramatic expression of the crisis. At the root of the crisis is the utter failure of the top leadership to live up to its responsibilities. The top leadership has inflicted upon the movement a regime more undemocratic in its centralized leadership than anything ever seen in the labor movement before. It has turned a deaf ear to the growing demand for labor unity. It has entered into an acknowledged alliance with the Stalinists in the CIO, etc."

As for the Trotzkyites, their course was a little more devious. To quote their own sheet, the **Socialist Appeal** (about as "socialist" as Hitler's national socialism), "the policy of the Socialist Workers Party with respect to the auto crisis has undergone sharp changes and has not received a clear and definitive formulation." In two weeks the Trotzkyites' policy underwent a complete reversal, a reversal dictated not by the needs of the workers but by the union wrecking plans of the employers.

TROTZKYITE SOMERSAULT

What were these changes? On Jan. 28, the leading editorial of the **Socialist Appeal** declared that the Cleveland convention, called by the majority of the Board, would be a 100 per cent "Stalinist stooge assembly." Recognizing the hatred of the rank and file of the auto workers, the Trotzkyites acknowledged that Martin had his "share of responsibility in the disaster" because of irresponsibility, secret meetings with Bennett, Coughlin, etc., but at the same time, urged **"locals must elect delegates to the Detroit convention not to submit to Martin but reestablish the rule of the members over their own union."**

It is also worth noting that this editorial, taking into account the membership's sentiment for the CIO, avoided a head-on collision with this sentiment by NOT ONCE mentioning the CIO, but at the same time, smuggling in their anti-CIO line with the demand: "An end to the Hillman-Murray receivership."

Within two weeks, however, another tune was whistled and this same sheet urged support of the Cleveland convention and opposition to Martin's convention. An editorial explaining this new "policy" states with approval that "for two years Martin and his supporters have attempted to fight the Stalinists" but that this fight failed because Martin and his associates attempted it "not as union militants, but reactionary union politicians." So, the conclusion is drawn in the final paragraph, that "it is therefore obviously the duty of all progressives of the U.A.W. to attend the Cleveland conference and to reorganize the ranks of the progressives for a new fight against the Stalin cancer."

But the so-called "fight against the Stalinist cancer" is for the Trotzkyites, as for their twin brothers, the Lovestonites, but a mask to hide their fight against the CIO. This is made clear when the same editorial states, "In spite of the top bureaucracy of Lewis, Hillman and Murray, the CIO still represents the industrial union movement and therefore the most progressive section of American labor." The "change" in their policies is but their recognition that the CIO has the support of the auto workers in spite of Martin's activities, and the Trotzkyites are going to the convention to continue where Martin failed.

OLD GUARD SOCIALISTS

Of all those groups who are either allies of the Lovestonites or sympathize with their activities and support the "anti-Communist" slogan, none have found it more easy to state their position on the auto crisis than the Old Guard Socialists. They use the auto situation to justify their policy of supporting the A. F. of L. reactionaries' war against the CIO and labor unity. In doing so, they give aid and encouragement to the drive against the auto union as the following quotation shows:

"This terrible tragedy (the auto situation) has its source in two factors—dual unionism and the machinations of the Communist Party.

"The CIO unfortunately is itself dual unionism. It is dual on a national scale. It claims the nation-wide sovereignty which the A. F. of L. has exercised for decades."

The conclusion is obvious—in organizing millions of workers the CIO has challenged the "sovereignty" of Woll, Frey and Co. and is therefore doomed to destruction and should be destroyed.

S. P.'S CONTRADICTION

The peculiar situation the Socialist Party found itself in, reflects the degree to which the flirtations of Norman Thomas with the Trotzkyites and his attempts to woo the Old Guards have brought the Socialist Party to complete bankruptcy.

The auto situation found the leaders of the S. P. caught between two fires. On the one hand there is their anti-Communist policy, their previous support of Martin and their present efforts to bring about a marriage with the Old Guard supporters of certain reactionary leaders of the A. F. of L. On the other hand there is the fact that the Socialist members in the auto industry have tended more and more to join the great mass of auto workers in the fight against Martin and for the defense of the auto union and the CIO. These factors account for the fact that for three weeks the Socialist Call, organ of the S. P., said nothing about the auto crisis. The only acknowledgement this paper gave during this time to the fact that there was a crisis was to print a picture of Martin and R. J. Thomas, with the caption "Rival Leaders," implying that the Socialists were neutral in the fight between two "rival leaders."

Fortunately, under pressure of the masses and their own membership in the auto industry, the leadership found it was impossible to sit on two stools and on February 11, the Socialist Call finally came out in condemnation of Martin and in support of the Cleveland Convention! However, it is to be regretted that the Socialists have not yet drawn all the lessons, and consequently did not solve the problem by meeting the situation squarely. After correctly recognizing that "faced with such a choice—CIO or a company-influenced union, every honest member and supporter of the labor movement must stand squarely for the CIO," the editorial of the Socialist Call at the same time practically endorses Martin's splitting tactics when it says that his "principled fight against Communist power drives to capture the union was commendable." The same editorial insists that the Ford-Martin alliance cannot be defeated unless there are guarantees against Communist domination of the UAW. By this continuous support for the slogan that Martin and every agent of the employers uses to dupe and confuse the workers, the Socialists are in danger, unless their position is corrected, of having broken with Martin, only to find themselves being used as tools by the Trotzkyites and other stool pigeons. The unwillingness or inability to draw conclusions from hard facts is reflected in the closing sentence of the Call editorial which deserves quotation:

". . . As for Homer Martin, his political usefulness in the labor movement is terminated unless he extricates himself from his unprincipled alliance with the Hitler-loving Ford, the demagogic cleric of fascist leanings and other open and surreptitious elements who are the avowed enemies of the labor world."

Has not every worker the right to ask the leadership of the Socialist Party—does your party really believe it possible that Martin is able and willing to break his alliance with Ford and Coughlin? Are you not yet ready to conclude that he is an enemy of the workers, who must be exposed and isolated and driven out of the labor movement? Why not see Martin, and those who produce them, the Trotzkyites and Lovestonelites, for what they are—tools of international fascism?

Texas CIO, AFL Fight O'Daniel's Sales Tax

(Special to the Daily Worker)

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 22.—Wilber Lee O'Daniel, who capered into the governorship to the hillbilly strains of "Pass the Biscuits, Pappy," and who since then has remained notorious by various and sundry stunts, will see something else passed his way this week.

But it won't be biscuits. Texas labor, under the leadership of the CIO and the A. F. of L., have completed plans to pass Governor O'Daniel perhaps the stiffest uppercut this reactionary state executive has yet received, when it broadcasts over the Texas State network this week a joint attack on and expose of his proposed transactions tax and general sales tax.

The program, first of its kind in this state, will answer O'Daniel's regular Sunday morning broadcasts from the Governor's Mansion.

WILL ASSAIL SALES TAX

CIO and A. F. of L. speakers will cite facts and figures to prove that the transactions tax and the general sales tax would saddle the people with unnecessary burdens. The speakers will offer labor's own progressive tax program, which will probably take the form of a natural resources tax from which to finance social security.

A broad campaign has already been instituted for signatures to a petition against the transactions tax and for a natural resources tax. The petitions, issued officially by the CIO State Industrial Union Council, have been endorsed by many A. F. of L. unions in Houston, the largest and most important industrial center in Texas. These petitions will probably receive not only the support of organized labor, both CIO and A. F. of L. throughout the state, but the support also of the pension clubs and the farm organizations, most of which have already gone on record against the transactions tax.

Back Seat Driver

THIS PUSSYCAT has been riding about London in this fashion ever since it first had claws. Its master has rigged up a seat for it and the rest is up to kitty.

Hague Jr. Judgeship Gift Draws More Fire

Labor's Non-Partisan League's Letter Asks State Senators to Reject "Insulting Joke"; Offers to Show Better Candidates

PATERSON, N. J., Feb. 22.—The public-flouting "appointment" of Mayor Hague's son, Frank, Jr., to the highest court in the state here continued to bring forth bitter opposition in progressive and legal circles today.

Chief development today in the growing movement of condemnation against Gov. A. Harry Moore's naming of Frank Hague, Jr., to the Court of Errors and Appeals was the offer of Labor's Non-Partisan League of New Jersey to aid Gov. Moore and the State Senate to select a candidate "who lacks Mr. Hague's inexperience, paternal blessing and political connections."

The 34-year-old son of the New Jersey political boss had been admitted and practicing before the bar for only two years when the appointment was made. He was designated by the Governor as a lay member. Of the sixteen members of the Court of Errors and Appeals, four are allowed to be laymen, without legal training, under the laws of this state.

"INSULTING JOKE"

In a letter to Gov. Moore and New Jersey's 21 State Senators, who must confirm the appointment the appointment was labeled "an insulting joke" by officers of the League. It was signed by four officers who head unions affiliated with both the AFL and CO.I They were Harry Wendrich, of the Printing Pressmen, AFL; Neil Brant, Electrical and Radio Workers, CIO; Harry A. Possner, of the independent ILGWU, and Leo Perlis, State organizer of Labor's Non-Partisan League.

The League officers urged the State Senate to "reject Mr. Hague as a menace to our freedom."

"Labor's Non-Partisan League," the protest letter said in part, "is neither interested in pleasing daddy nor in consoling Mayor Hague. Our sole concern in this instance is to keep our courts free from political patronage, partisan bias, inefficient administration, inexperienced judges and unjust decisions."

Gov. Moore declared several days ago when he announced the appointment that Mayor Hague had felt "disappointed" that his son had "not gone in for politics."

Local 155 Meets To Nominate Officers Today

Rank and File Committee Urges Support for Progressives

A special membership meeting of the Knitgoods Local 155, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, for nominations of officers and election of an election and objection committee, will be held today at 5:30 P.M. at Brooklyn Labor Lyceum.

The Rank and File Unity Committee urged workers to attend the meeting and support its proposals for a strong and united union.

The committee's program calls for:

Organization of the unorganized; enforcement of agreements; unity and democracy in the union; abolition of favoritism, patronage and discrimination in distribution of jobs; a non-partisan educational program; strict economy in administrative affairs; support for unity efforts between the CIO and AFL; and support for the American Labor Party and all progressive legislation.

The committee accused Louis Nelson, present manager of the local, of resorting to desperate methods in an effort to curb the discontent of the workers with his administration.

When Morris Ezer, charter member of the union, and Herman Lucas, active union member, sought to propose a concrete program for the unemployment problem at a recent meeting, Nelson took their books away, the committee charged.

ATTACKED OPPONENTS

Nelson utilized the meeting to launch a red-baiting attack against those opposing his policies and "dissolved the meeting without adopting any constructive proposals to help the unemployed," according to the committee.

Charges of incompetency and inability to cope with the growing problem of the open shop have not been answered by Nelson, the committee said.

"Only a united and constructive administration of all elements in the union will be able to solve the problems facing the knitgoods workers," the committee declared.

Longshoremen Aid Ship Clerks Close Alameda Terminal

ALAMEDA, Cal. (FP).—The Encinal Terminal has been closed by refusal of CIO longshoremen to pass the picket lines set up by the Ship Clerks Union (CIO) in a dispute with the terminal operators.

The clerks charge that the terminal has refused to pay overtime, that workers are forced to stand by for five hours at a time without pay, and that apprentices are doing journeymen's work.

NLRB Scraps Poll At Firth Carpet Due to Coercion

The National Labor Relations Board has nullified the employe election at the Firth Carpet Co., Firthcliffe, N. Y., the Textile Workers Organizing Committee announced yesterday.

The CIO union said that the election, held Jan. 9, with the labor organization defeated by a vote of 421 to 379, was nullified because of company union intimidation and coercion.

The union had submitted a memorandum to the NLRB tracing the company moves to defeat the spirit and letter of the law. The Board sustained the union's charges.

The company was accused of holding parties on company property shortly before the election and giving foremen and officials of a disbanded company union election day off to drive employes to the polls.

Sell the new Daily Worker Coupon Books! Make yourself eligible for one of the prizes in the "Amter Vote" Party Press Contest!

McNaboe Bill Called Menace; Civil Service Union, ACLU to Fight

Republicans, Anti-New Deal Democrats Back Albany Measure Aimed at Teachers, Municipal Workers; Bill Comes Up February 27th

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, Feb. 21.—Labor and progressive organizations are increasing their protests against the sto mtrooper McNaboe bill—a red-baiting measure designed to bar progressives from civil service and teaching positions.

The State, County and Municipal Employees of America, a CIO union, has already sent letters denouncing the McNaboe bill as "tending to undermine the basic foundations of our American democracy."

The Civil Liberties Union has also protested.

The bill is sponsored by the Tammany red-baiter Senator McNaboe and the reactionary Assemblyman Devaney. It may come up for a vote in the Senate on Feb. 27, and in the Assembly March 1.

BACKED BY REPUBLICANS

The measure is being backed by the Tory Republicans just as McNaboe's proposed sales tax on food.

A measure almost identical to this one was sponsored by Sen. McNaboe last year.

Although it was overwhelmingly repudiated by the people throughout the State, McNaboe and Devaney succeeded in jamming it through the legislature at the last moment but it was vetoed by Gov. Lehman.

McNaboe is planning amendments to the measure, but these are to bring it into conformity with the Devaney version of the measure in the Assembly.

Actually the amendments make it worse by broadening its scope.

AIMED AT PROGRESSIVES

Ostensibly aimed at Communists, the measure is clearly designed to bar from civil service and teaching positions all who have progressive views disliked by the Tory Republicans and their Tammany allies.

The State County and Municipal Workers of America has sent letters to every member, denouncing the McNaboe Bill as tending to "undermine the basic foundations of our American democracy."

The civil service workers also charge that the bill is so broad "as to constitute a constant invitation and temptation to public officials to vitiate the merit system and to use alleged political 'unorthodoxy' as an excuse for the introduction of a vicious spoils system."

The Civil Liberties Union has sent every member of the legislature a copy of Lehman's veto message of last year. In his message the Governor declared that the bill abridged "freedom of speech, freedom of thought, freedom of the press, and freedom of assembly."

Jewelry Union Wins Pact for 2,400 Workers

AFL Group Gains Closed Shop, Less Hours in 250 Firms

A new agreement, covering 2,400 workers in 250 gold and platinum jewelry shops, was anncunced yesterday by Local 1, International Jewelry Workers' Union, AFL.

The pact provides the 35-hour week, closed shop, time and a half for overtime, and vacations with pay.

Minimum wages range from $1 to $1.50 an hour. The union succeeded in establishing a quota for apprentices and class B workers and adjusted classification of prices for piece work setters. The union has been given the right to declare a stoppage in shops violating the agreement.

Andrew Leredu, financial secretary-treasurer of the union, pointed out that the gain of paid vacations culminates a fight for this provision since 1938. The achievement of the union in obtaining a new, improved contract without a strike was due to the unity within the union, he said. He announced that an organizing campaign will be initiated throughout the metropolitan area.

Kent Charges Cops Ignored Fascist Attack

Writes to Mayor of Pro-Franco Group Assault on CIO Artist

Rockwell Kent, noted artist and president of the United American Artists, CIO yesterday charged police deliberately neglected and ignored a brutal attack on a union member by a pro-fascist group.

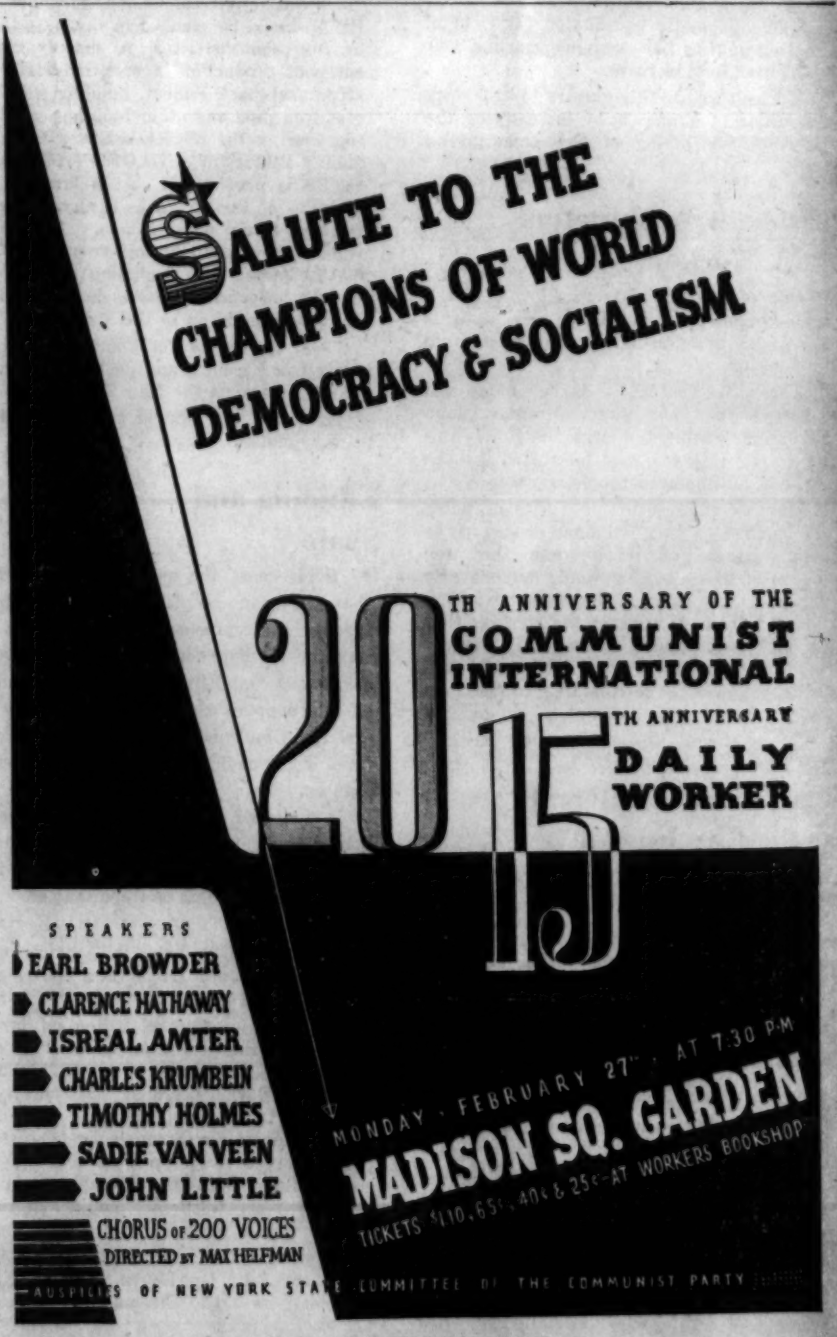
In a letter to Mayor LaGuardia, Kent charged that police ignored an assault on Howard W. Willard, commercial artist, by a group of pro-Franco sympathizers.

Willard was beaten Sunday afternoon, Feb. 5, requiring hospitalization for a fractured cheek bone. He was walking along 52nd St. near Madison Ave., when he noticed a group of men putting placards into a car, Kent related.

The placards read: "Buy Christian," and "Franco is the Savoir of Spain and Humanity." Willard, accompanied by his wife, expressed disapproval of the placards to bystanders. Four or five policemen passed between him and the bystanders, Willard told Kent.

The bystanders, however, were part of the pro-Franco group. Attacking him as a "Communist," they called on the fascist sympathizers to "come and get" him. The group threw him to the ground, knocked him unconscious, while his wife tried to shield him from further assault, Kent said.

"Although Willard says not more than ten seconds could have elapsed between the passing of the four or five policemen and the assault by the mob, neither then nor when he lay wounded on the street, nor at all, did the police re-appear," Kent charged.



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A Diplomatic Step Inviting Extension of War

• What does it all signify?

On one day the press reports: "Tokio Threatens to Seize Shanghai"; "Tunisia Invaded by Duce's Troops" (though this is later feebly denied); "Ship Torpedoed by Sub," near the Fascist-held Azores.

These certainly are incidents in the far-flung plot of fascism to extend the present aggression against Spain, China and Ethiopia into a war directly against first France and Great Britain and against this country also.

Whatever the full truth about the Tunisia incident, certain ominous facts cannot be denied: Italian fascism has rushed more than 60,000 troops to Lybia on the border of Tunisia. The leading Italian army commander, Marshal Pietro Badoglio, is now grooming this army for action.

Each one of these outbursts is connected with the unconcealed plans of fascism to blackmail France, and the other democracies, into territorial concessions and retreat, at the point of a forest of bayonets.

The threat against American, British and French interests in Shanghai fits snugly into the Japanese plans of grabbing Hainan for similar purposes.

And while all this is happening, the most menacing occurrences of all grow out of the haste of the Chamberlains and Bonnets to give recognition to Spanish Fascism. By thus offering to pay a premium for fascist banditry, the reactionaries of France and Great Britain are actually inviting intensified attacks on French and British national security.

Recognition of the Spanish agent of the Rome-Berlin axis, that is, attempts to stabilize his rule, with one-fourth of Spain in the hands of the Loyalists, is exactly what Hitler and Mussolini most need for their next step to war against France.

Such diplomatic benediction for General Franco would be like spraying gasoline over a bunch of lighted fuses.

The best way in this country to help block recognition of Franco is by intensifying the campaign for lifting of the embargo on Spain.

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Elizabeth Washington, WPA Worker

• One of the violinists working with the WPA Federal Theatre in this city, it turns out, is a collateral descendant of George Washington.

Elizabeth Washington is her name and she says that her direct forebear, John Augustine Washington, was the brother of the great George, was interested in the plight of unemployed people.

May we suggest to the Tories of today who attempt so many inhuman crimes in the honored name of Washington, that the Father of His Country would undoubtedly rather see his talented descendant working on WPA than starving in the streets; that the man who fought to free this country from the tyranny of George III, would support the efforts of the New Deal to free men and women from the tyranny of hunger and fear.

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The People's Interest In the City Budget

• It is apparent from the statement of City Budget Director Kenneth Dayton that lean days face the city, casting their shadow over the welfare of all New Yorkers. Mr. Dayton points out in his discussion of the executive budget situation that departmental requests exceed those of last year by $52,500,000, while the city has only $330,000 more to spend than it did in last fiscal year.

His statement therefore correctly stresses the danger of wage cuts for some 140,000 city employes as well as the danger of a sharp reduction in city social services. Undoubtedly the Tory Republicans and their Tammany allies will howl for one or both of these methods as a false "economy" way out. Councilman Surpless, the Republican reactionary, already talks of pressing his witch-hunt against relief and the Department of Welfare in order to make the poor take the loss.

Naturally, something has to be done. For the situation will be even darker unless President Roosevelt's fight to restore the $150,000,000 WPA cut is won. The solution lies along lines, touched upon by Mr. Dayton, as well as upon a far more extensive carrying out of a progressive financial program. Mayor LaGuardia's fight against useless Tammany officeholders (for example, the Earle county reform bill), the fight to curb an arrogant judiciary which periodically raids city funds for its clerk henchmen—all such progressive proposals are designed to make available more more funds for the social needs of the people. Yet the Republican-Tammany-led majority in the City Council has continually obstructed them.

Yes, balance the budget; but not at the expense of the slim pay of the city employes nor out of limited social measures. Rather, a progressive tax program on the rich is the answer. That means, in the first instance, stopping the Tory drive on Gov. Lehman's inadequate social program.

Instead, the state should enlarge the cities' taxing power; it should assume the 60 instead of the 40 per cent share of the present state-city relief expense. And the Governor's budget, instead of being cut, should be expanded by increasing state aid and state sharing for municipal social services which, as the executive budget situation shows, are gravely endangered.

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The New "Constituents" Of Rep. Dies

• We wonder what the people down in Texas are thinking about that revealing moment at the Nazi rally in Madison Square Garden when G. W. Kunze, public relations director of the Nazi Bund, brought the audience shouting with approval to their feet, as he spoke of "Our Congressman, Mr. Dies of Texas."

"Why did we elect Dies anyway," the good people of Texas are probably wondering. "Wasn't he to be our Congressman? Or was he to be the Congressman of the Nazi Bund and of Adolph Hitler?"

Mr. Dies has just been given $100,000 with which, presumably, to investigate the Nazis. But the Nazi Bund isn't worried. They have watched Mr. Dies at work and they love him. He is **their** man. That's a good thing for the country to know.

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A Wall Street Editor Should Read His Own News

• Let not thy right hand know what thy left is doing.

The Journal of Commerce, Wall Street organ, is usually loud with editorial complaints about the "extravagance" of the New Deal's PWA, WPA, projects.

But, its news columns tell a different story. Its news columns tell a magnificent story of PWA social usefulness in providing jobs for hundreds of thousands of Americans who otherwise would be walking the streets, their families starving.

"Peak activity of $1,500,000,000 of the PWA should be reached in the next three or four months. . . . A sharply rising curve of production in such industries as structural steel, cement, building supplies, cast iron pipe and other building supplies, together with INCREASED EMPLOYMENT BOTH ON AND OFF THE WORK SITES is predicted. . . . In lumber, the stimulus of Public Works is already being felt in large degrees. . . . Man-hours worked may double by mid-year. The 973,000 estimated jobs, including those in indirectly affected industries is expected to increase rapidly up to the May peak."

Now, the Journal of Commerce editorial writer can sit down and dash off a fuming, sizzling attack on the New Deal.

After all, why should a Wall Street paper's opinions be based on facts?

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Ethiopia and Spain

• Evidence of the unconquerable spirit of the Ethiopian people continues to break through the tentacles of Italian fascist censorship. A dispatch reaching here yesterday stated that Ethiopian guerrillas had cut off food supplies of the invaders, forcing several troop mutinies, and that guerrilla warfare is spreading throughout the entire country.

It is already established that many of the Ethiopian chiefs hold territory far from conquered by Mussolini's bearers of "civilization," via the bomb and poison gas. The point is that the valor of the little Negro nation in East Africa, not only helps regain their independence, but it is a contribution to the whole world struggle against fascism.

And likewise the battle against fascism all over aids the Ethiopian people. This is apparent from the statement yesterday by Dr. Malaku E. Bayen, personal representative of Emperor Haile Selassie here, who urged the widest support for Spanish democracy "because every setback for Mussolini and fascism in Spain helps the Ethiopian people in their fight for freedom." Sound and timely words!

Meantime, the Ethiopian World Federation, headed by Dr. Bayen, is conducting a campaign for aid to Ethiopian refugees who are fleeing fascist terror into English and French colonies. Food, clothing and funds should be sent to the Federation headquarters, 2331 Seventh Ave., New York City.

The USSR Takes a Census

A GROUP OF CITIZENS of the Soviet Union shown with a census taker during the recent check of the population of the land of Socialism.

An Editorial

WHEN WERE HITLER, HIROHITO EVER ELECTED TO CONGRESS

• Has any American heard that either Hitler or Hirohito, Japanese war leader, has been elected to the Congress of the United States?

No, neither have we. But that is a mere detail which a certain vociferous group of anti-Roosevelt Congressmen and Senators are doing their best to remedy.

Is it a mere coincidence that the hypocritical arguments of the Tokio newspapers against American defense of Guam and the Philippine Islands are instantly echoed by Congressman "Ham" Fish of New York?

It cannot escape the attention of any alert citizen reading the reports of the Congressional debates these days that the interests of the Berlin-Rome-Tokio fascist alliance are finding eager defenders in Congress.

The examples are many.

On Feb. 20, the Tokio militarist paper, "Asahi," blandly attacked American defenses in Guam and the Philippines as "antagonizing Japan and rendering the situation unstable." How does it happen that Congressman Fish imported this argument with phonographic accuracy to the House of Representatives on Tuesday? Why did he argue that not only is the defense of Guam a proper cause for "suspicion" by Japan, but that we ought to withdraw our protection from the Philippine Islands "as soon as possible"?

It is an axiom that the seizure of the Philippine Islands would seriously weaken the defenses of the Pacific coast of the United States, and that the seizure of Guam would weaken the position of the Philippines. Everybody knows it. Naturally, one would not expect the Japanese militarists to say it too loudly; one expects them to express innocent surprise at the "suspicious Americans" as the Tokio press did on Monday. But why should Senator Vandenberg and "Ham" Fish be so ready to cut the Philippines adrift, so ready to oppose the fortification of Guam?

American citizens can learn a good deal from a recent cable sent from Berlin. It states that the Hitler Government is making **"frantic efforts to neutralize the United States by attacking President Roosevelt and mobilizing domestic opposition against his foreign policy."** (New York Times, Feb. 21.)

Is there any connection between this revelation and the hysterical anger with which Senator Reynolds of North Carolina pounces on the perfectly accurate description which Senator Pittman gives of the increased Fascist aggressions which followed the Munich pact?

It is a matter of record that Senator Reynolds, on his return from Nazi Germany this fall, brought back with him an avowed admiration for the Hitler fascist government. Is that why Senator Reynolds on Monday made the astonishing proposal that if Hitler "turns East toward the Ukraine" that "it is none of our business"? Does Senator Reynolds think that by this clumsy trick he can hide from the American people the crimes of the Fascist powers in Czechoslovakia, Austria, Ethiopia, Spain, South America and the Far East, and their hatred of American democracy?

The Congressional debates on Monday revealed with startling clarity that the Tory purveyors of the "let us mind our own business" propaganda are themselves neck-deep in the war-making business of the Berlin-Rome-Tokio powers. The enemies of the New Deal at home are marching double-quick toward betraying the national safety and peace of this country. Their own speeches are the best proof of it.

Letters From Our Readers

$2.00 in Appreciation—For Stand on Advertisement—

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In appreciation of the fact that there is at least ONE newspaper that will not accept dishonest ads, referring to the Feb. 17 article by Alan Max, showing up the A. & P., I am enclosing two dollars to help make up for the "ad" you would take.

As I see it, these big chain stores merely drive out competition, then boost up prices to suit themselves, and the long-suffering public has the additional annoyance of carrying home their deliveries, thus saving the A. & P. still more money.

You can see scores of women carrying home packages much too heavy for them—in fact, I do it myself, don't I know.

Proper control and regulation of these big chains is absolutely necessary to make them of benefit to the public. CHARLOTTE NEELY.

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Editorial Was an 'Eye-Opener'—

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Enclosed you will find a letter I am sending to the editor of the Daily News in connection with your editorial of Feb. 18 pertaining to anti-Semitic slurs, etc., contained therein for some time.

I want to congratulate you for being the only paper in New York to expose same.

"Daily News:

"I see by the paper that at least one paper in New York had the guts to come out and expose your sheet for what it is.

"I may not fully agree with all this paper stands for, and no doubt it hasn't got a very large circulation, nevertheless it was an eye-opener to see that at least to some extent the Daily News be exposed, no matter how cleverly you concealed your anti-Semitic fascist-advocations from your readers." S. S.

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'Legion Should Disavow Support Of Un-American Organization—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

This is a copy of a letter sent to the editor of the "National Legionnaire":—

"Dear Sir:

"I was aghast to find in the current issue of the 'Legionnaire' a photograph publicizing the award by the Constitutional Educational League, Inc., to Congressman Dies. I had previously been in opposition to the endorsement of the American Legion of the Dies Committee, basing my opinions on the thoughts so well expressed by our President, and when I find our national publication giving publicity to the activities of one of the many un-American Fascist organizations in this country, i. e., the Constitutional Educational League, Inc., an organization that has been thoroughly exposed by the labor press in this country, I must protest.

"It sems to me that your organization should know that this alleged League has no responsible organization—was guilty of publishing a scurrilous and an Anti-New Deal pemphlet entitled "Join the C. I. O. and Build a Soviet America," in which they offered to donate $1,000 to charity if any statement therein was proved to be false. A group of responsible C. I. O. representatives produced evidence that not one but many of the statements in this pamphlet were utterly false and tried for months to pin responsibility on the League but were unsuccessful. It sems to me that the National Legionnaire owes to its readers a statement disavowing Legion support to this irresponsible organization." PAUL CROSBIE.

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D. W. 'The Foremost Organ of Democracy'—

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I congratulate you on your great improvement of the Daily Worker.

It is a great pleasure for me to see you improve the best paper in the country, in accordance with the suggestions of your readers instead of retrenching for the worse, economically, politically and socially like some papers of the capitalist press do.

I would like to say that if we had the circulation and the adequate means of the other papers the Daily Worker would be the best newspaper in the world. I urge you to keep up the progress and to make the Daily Worker the foremost organ for democracy. SOL SKORLNICH.

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Become a Regular Reader—Increase Circulation—

New York City.

My experiences in canvassing from house to house, in streets and subways show that the people, though sometimes prejudiced, misled and confused by the yellow press, are yet approachable.

By allowing my contacts to speak first and to ask me questions, I know just what to emphasize because I am a regular reader.

If each C. P. member would become a regular reader and quadrupled his efforts in interesting his friends, the circulation of the "Daily" would be built over the hundred thousand mark in no time. The membership of the Party would increase greatly. Remember, the Daily Worker is the vanguard of the majority. R. ROGOFF, Br. 7, Sec. 3.

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'The People Are for Loyalist Spain'—

Franklin, Pa.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter which I sent to Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee:

"I, the undersigned, a citizen of the United States of America, request you as chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee to do all in your power and ability to help to lift the embargo against democratically and legally elected government of Spain.

"Hitler and Mussolini are nothing less than international robbers, who, with the aid of Franco, kill, murder and burn cities and communities of Spanish people.

"The embargo should and must be lifted. Spanish people, through their government, should get the right to buy all the war equipment with which to protect themselves, their children, their homes, their freedom, their right to make life happy.

"If you were able to visit the cities, towns and communities in the United States, and ask the people where they stand, 95 per cent will tell you. 'On the side of Loyalist Spain.' So let us act together and lift the embargo against the democratic people of Spain." GREGORY DRAGAN.

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Likes Radio Programs—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I wish to congratulate you for the excellent Radio Programs that have been appearing in the Daily Worker. I have been expecting that some time we would put out such a complete job.

The Sunday Worker is swell, too, and I would suggest, if possible, a few more maps. A READER.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

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Denials of Italian Fascist Aggression in Tunisia Belied by Mussolini's Moves

• Events at present are moving with such lightning-like speed that days, and even hours suffice often to uncover the deepest significance of happenings which at other times would long remain buried in the obscurity of the capitalist press.

The great service of President Roosevelt's timely warning last Saturday of the fascist war menace was further emphasized to the world by the alarming report that on the Friday before Mussolini had ordered a test attack on France's defense lines in Tunisia, Africa. Denials of the report by Mussolini and Bonnet are not taken seriously in diplomatic circles. They are now made to facilitate the negotiations for a second Munich. The axiom usually applied to London's Foreign Office now fits Bonnet's bureau: Never believe a rumor until it is officially denied by the Foreign Office.

President Roosevelt undoubtedly had information about troops being killed in this Italian fascist aggression, and within the proprieties of diplomatic usage gave the maximum warning to the American people of the possibilities.

Mussolini's hasty reinforcement of his Lybian garrisons is clearer now.

The rush trip to Lybia of Marshal Pietro Badoglio, chief organizer of the slaughter against the Ethiopian people, is less of a mystery. Fighting apparently was already going on against France.

Why Nazi military technicians, planes and shock troops are at present in the Italian colony of Lybia is evident.

Mussolini's repeated declarations—the last one coincident with the report of the Italian fascist assault on Tunisia—that he will keep Italian fascist troops in Spain, now have more menacing meaning.

While Italian fascism has adopted the Japanese provocative tactic of preliminary skirmishes, the Daladier-Bonnet foreign office, on Chamberlain's orders, is preparing officially to embrace the Rome-Berlin axis' Spanish stooge.

This would be giving official recognition to the commander of the Fascist trio's armies at the Pyrenees border of France, thus directly assisting Mussolini's war aims against French territory.

Now also is explained the angry howl of the entire fascist press of Germany, Italy and Japan against President Roosevelt and other administration spokesmen who sought to awaken the American people to the imminent danger.

The President's words and deeds played and are still playing a tremendous part against the fascist war plans.

For that reason, the fascists are hurling their dirtiest epithets against the President; and Berlin, Rome and Tokio are conspiring with every treasonable reactionary here, especially to do as much smearing as they can against America's policy of defense of democracy and world peace.

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Startling admission is made in the Nazi press that the campaign of filth in the totalitarian countries against F. D. R. is consciously coupled with the Hoover attack on the New Deal's foreign policy and defense program. In fact, the Nazis boast that they lead the American Tory attacks on the President. Otto D. Tolischus, Berlin correspondent for the New York Times, in his cable story appearing in Wednesday's issue, said that the Nazi press is "attacking President Roosevelt and MOBILIZING DOMESTIC OPPOSITION AGAINST HIS FOREIGN POLICY."

Just now, the French and British Tories, to assist the fascists in Spain, are resorting to a monstrous crime. They are lying about the United States attitude toward recognition of the butcher Franco.

A semi-official American view toward the Chamberlain pro-fascist intrigues was uttered a few days ago by Senator Key Pittman, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He roundly condemned the Munich plotters.

Now the French Foreign Office (as it did before Munich) is openly spreading lies about America's policy in order to beat back French popular opposition to recognition of Franco.

The Associated Press circulated a Paris Foreign-Office inspired story Wednesday containing the following paragraph:

"The Paris Foreign Office, taking cognizance of the opposition press assertions that the United States opposed immediate recognition, issued a statement declaring 'that American diplomacy is not at all opposed to French and British recognition of the Spanish Nationalist (Franco) government when they judge fit.'"

On the same day, John Elliot, Paris correspondent of the Herald Tribune, cabled the following to his paper:

"Despite its failure to obtain assurances of any kind, AND NOTWITHSTANDING THE FROWNS OF WASHINGTON, the French Government is determined to recognize Franco. THE DECIDING FACTOR AS IN MOST FRENCH DECISIONS IS BRITISH PRESSURE."

The French reactionaries behind Bonnet and Daladier know that Washington is exposing the fascist war game and is especially apprehensive of a Franco Spain being a base for heightened Nazi and Italian fascist penetration in Latin America. Moreover, it is a long established point of American foreign policy to refuse recognition to a regime set up by forcible overthrow of a recognized government, particularly such as the democratic government of Spain.

The Place of Science And Culture in Society

Communist Leader, in Addressing Intellectuals, Tells How Profit System Throttles the Mind

By JACQUES DUCLOS

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But we know that nothing great and enduring can be accomplished without the participation of the intellectuals, whose virtues are doubtless acknowledged, but whose rights have still to be proclaimed. The problem confronting us is to determine what place science and the scientists should occupy in society.

Do the scientists and investigators, the men whose efforts should command the respect and attention of everyone, dispose of sufficient means for research? Can they give free rein to their creative genius? Are the laboratories what they should be in a civilized society?

Obviously not, and when from time to time the newspapers render homage to this or that American billionaire who has just subsidized some scientific undertaking, they thereby emphasize the great poverty of scientific institutions in France.

But who could accept without humiliation a state of affairs which subordinates science to money and which too frequently substitutes private initiative for that of the state?

We do not agree that the activity of the scientists should be dependent on philanthropy.

Nor do we agree that the funds placed at the disposal of scientists should be regulated by the whim of private generosity, which is not in fact always disinterested; that it should be contingent on the fluctuations of the economic situation or the amount of surplus value accumulated by some big capitalist who plays the philanthropist.

Such a state of affairs sheds light on the subordination of science to blind economic forces in a society ruled by chance. . . .

One may add that the policy of deflation has had disastrous consequences for science. As an example I can recall that dozens of chairs at the Sorbonne and in the provincial universities have been done away with.

Wait for Publication

One may further add that the successive devaluations have reduced the real worth of the appropriations for science. This is why scientific works sometimes wait years before being published.

The real amount of appropriations for science is finally determined by the tax evaders, by the exporters of capital, by the speculators, by those for whom the poverty of the state provides an opportunity for profitable investments and for effective political pressure.

This is the subordination of mind to matter which is so humiliating to man and to the dignity of the intellectuals.

One must also point out what a burden to the scientists the cruel law of profit is.

All of us know that there exist powerful trusts, virtual monopolies, which control production, manage the market and fix prices.

Do you believe that these trusts remain inactive when the work of an inventor threatens them with loss of their monopoly?

Woe to the inventor who in serving science falls foul of powerful interests!

A discovery, an invention which confirms the victory of man over matter can in the end lead to a defeat of the human mind by the coalitions of interests.

Is it not true that if certain financial interests were not opposed, the problem of the mass production of synthetic petroleum would have been solved long ago?

Is it not also true that the existence of hostile capitalist interests retards the development of television?

In all fields of creative endeavor we see science come into conflict with interests which are an obstacle to human progress.

This is the subordination of mind to matter, a subordination which we Communists undertake to end in the interests of humanity and in the interests of our country.

We feel humiliated when we see how many ideas of French scientists are exploited abroad, while at home not enough is done to derive the benefits of the work of French genius.

Development of Technique

In the period of its flourishing, which marked a stage in human progress, capitalism promoted science, which was required for the development of efficient technique. Today capitalism is hampered by its powerful technique, which has outgrown the antiquated framework of private property.

This is why we now see men who claim to be civilized and who yet advocate the destruction of machines.

They also try to convince people that science is the root of evil. They try to erect a barrier to the development of the human mind. . . .

But there is one field, alas, where nothing succeeds in retarding the perfection of technology—the field of the industry of death.

No one is opposed to finding new explosives and more efficient means for killing people. This branch of production is the only one organized more or less rationally. But the private interests which run this outworn society are opposed to finding new means of production capable of improving human life.

In some quarters they even interpret the bombardment of defenseless towns as a scientific method of race selection.

An officer of the Reichswehr published an article in the magazine **Archiv fur Biologie und Rassengesellschaft**, in which he stated:

"The most densely populated districts will suffer the most. These districts are inhabited by poor people who have not succeeded in life, by the disinherited portion of the community which will thus be rid of them. . . .

Revolution Exalts Culture

"In addition the explosion of large missiles, which weigh a ton or more, besides the death it causes, inevitably results in numerous cases of insanity. People whose nervous systems are weak cannot stand the shock. Thus bombardment will help us to discover the neurasthenics and weed them from social life. Once these ailing people have been discovered all we need do is sterilize their offspring. This will assure race selection." This is the subordination of mind to matter in its most inhuman and barbarous aspect! It is not astonishing that under such conditions a revival of obscurantism has taken place.

While in the field of biology efforts are thus made to lead us backwards in the field of philosophy a struggle is being waged against rationalism.

It is no accident that Descartes is attacked. It is because he makes a principle of confidence in reason. Reason shows the infinite character of progress.

(Duclos goes on to recall the historic role of the French educators in the eighteenth century and their struggle against obscurantism.)

Later, the great French Revolution was to exalt science and art in terms worth recalling.

(Continued Tomorrow)

HOW DO YOU FEEL?

HEALTH ADVICE

Whooping Cough Is Serious

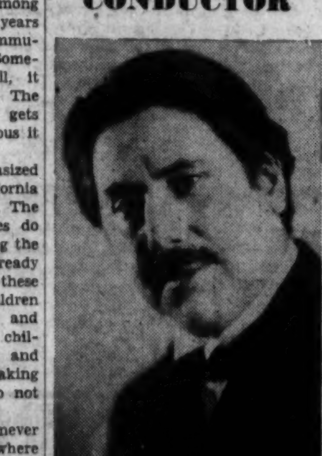
Most parents do not fully appreciate that whooping cough is a serious disease. It is, in fact, responsible for more deaths among children during the first two years life than are all the other communicable diseases together. Sometimes, when it does not kill, it leaves serious after-effects. The older the child is when he gets whooping cough, the less serious it is.

These facts have been emphasized by the New York and California State Departments of Health. The health officers of these states do not wish to spread panic among the mothers of children who already have this disease, but urge these mothers to see that their children receive proper medical care and are kept away from healthy children. Mothers of both sick and well children should join in making sure that the healthy ones do not catch the disease.

Infants, especially, should never be taken into public places, where children with whooping cough be present, unless it is absolutely necessary. At present, the best means of preventing whooping cough is isolation of children who already have the disease, in order to protect others. A method of vaccination against whooping cough is being used and may prove of value, but its value at present is still not certain.

—Medical Advisory Board

CONDUCTOR



Giuseppe Creatore will conduct a series of operas at the 105th Regiment Armory in the Bronx beginning March 4th.

A Nice House to Live In

-:- A Short Story -:-

By BRUCE DOUGLAS

PEDRO was captured at noon, and the brief court-martial was held two hours later, after the fascists had completely occupied the tiny river village.

A young lieutenant stepped forward, saluted, and reported: "A dynamiter, sir. Blew up two tanks and was trying to light another package of dynamite when we captured him."

The examining officer snarled: "Shoot him. At sundown." Sitting in the mud-floored hut that served as jail, waiting for the present and the future to blend into death, Pedro had time to think things over—to look back down the long trail he had travelled.

When he was six, his father died, and he became his mother's helper on the farm owned by the rich landlord. Schooling was scarce in the poverty-stricken peasant village, and Pedro had no time for it.

When there was little food, his mother pretended she was not hungry so that he might eat. When there was illness, she sat beside him through the night, holding his hand, caressing his brow with her hard hands, whispering songs to him.

Their hut was cold in winter and a roasting-pan in summer. It was small, even for two to live in, and its furniture was scanty and uncomfortable. Pedro knew, deeply, that such a fine woman as his mother ought to live in a better house.

Once, the priest told him that all things come to him who has faith and works hard. So, Pedro confided to his mother: "I will work hard, and when I am older you will have a nice house to live in."

But he became 20 years of age and all his hard work did not bring a better house for his mother. Her face became more wrinkled, her hands more bony and calloused, and still she lived in the miserable hut where his father had died.

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STRANGE things were happening. Talk of monarchies, republics, demonstrations and revolution filtered into the village from the world outside. There was gnawing discontent in Pedro's soul, but he could not connect it with what was happening outside.

Then came news that civil war had begun. The villagers were frightened and confused, not understanding what it was about nor what to do about it. The landlords spread strange tales among them, which only confused them all the more, because the tales were persuasive but the listeners somehow did not entirely trust the tellers. And Pedro, for some reason he did not understand, did not trust them at all.

He was told by a traveller that in the City food was scarce and prices were high. In his twentieth year, he had raised two fine litters of pigs, and he decided to take them to the City for the high price. The pigs were sold, and Pedro decided to look at the City before returning home.

He wandered into the Plaza, and there was a man on a platform talking to a crowd of people. Pedro edged through the crowd to listen. The man was simply dressed, and had a kind, worn face—like Pedro's father. But there was white fire in his words, and they burned into Pedro's soul.

He told how the millionaires and the landlords had tried to destroy the new-born Republic. How they had failed and had called foreign soldiers in to help them. How the homes of the poor in the cities, and their huts in the villages, were being bombed. How the old mothers of men, and their children, were being blown to bits. And then he explained why all this was being done: That the millionaries and landlords hate the freedom of the Republic and want the people to live helplessly and hungrily in rotting houses and miserable huts. That they would sell the nation to foreign fascists before they would allow the people to be free and prosperous. And that the people would fight, save their Republic, and have more to eat and wear and better places to live in.

After that, he said the Republic needed soldiers, and asked for volunteers. Pedro joined. Later, a friendly sergeant wrote a letter to Pedro's mother — which someone would have to read to her—explaining what he had done and enclosing the money received from the sale of the pigs.

There was a lot of training — marching, shooting, discipline— and Pedro did not make a good mark in any of it. But at one thing he was good. Throwing rocks had been a favorite pastime of his youth, and he had developed uncanny swiftness and sureness of aim. He became a dynamiter—tying sticks of dynamite into bundles, lighting them, and tossing them with deadly aim into Fascist positions and under Fascist tanks.

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THREE months of this. . . . Then, capture. Death staring at you, coming closer as the sun's rays fell lower across the muddy floor.

But Pedro was not afraid. He had killed and seen men die. He knew why he had fought, and why he was now facing death, because he had not forgotten one word of that speech in the Plaza. He felt sad that he would not live to see the things he had fought for, because they were so dear to him. But he knew they would come to be, and others would see them. That thought held him as a guard pushed open the door.

"It is time," said the guard, and Pedro merely rose and walked out.

He breathed deeply of the evening air, and drank in with his eyes as he walked along, the shell-marked peasant village with its straggling rows of huts, and the rose and violet tinge of sky over the distant mountain-tops.

They stood him against a stone wall, facing the rifle squad. The last glints of sunlight reflected from polished rifle barrels. Pedro closed his eyes for a moment, to hide tears, for one does not die easily when one is only 20 and has not seen his dream come true.

The smartly-uniformed fascist officer looked for a moment at the ragged peasant soldier, then said: "Do you wish to speak?"

Pedro reflected for a few seconds that seemed like eternity to the waiting riflemen. His eyes were closed, his head bowed. Then he raised his eyes to theirs. Standing straight and tall, he said with simple dignity:

"Yes. You are going to shoot me, but it will not help your masters. The people will win, and my mother will get a nice house to live in."

Mobilization posters widely displayed in Republican Spain in the fight against the fascist interventionists. Poster on left is call to join the Loyalist forces, that on right urges workers to sign up for voluntary work in connection with the defense of the country. Despite the lying propaganda of the capitalist press, the heroic people of Spain are continuing the fight against the fascist marauders.

STAGE

'Miss Swan Expects' Witty Comedy by Spewacks

MISS SWAN EXPECTS. By Bella and Samuel Spewack. Produced by William Harris, Jr. Directed by Mr. Spewack. Settings by Raymond Sovey. Cort Theatre.

By JOHN CAMBRIDGE

The Spewacks include among their achievements the establishment of a colloquial phrase ("boy meets girl" from their farce of that name), and, currently, the book of the heroic musical comedy "Leave It To Me." Their latest work, "Miss Swan Expects," is a wild story about a publishing firm on the rocks. There is a great deal of plot, and perhaps the reason why the new model is not altogether successful is the failure to build the many different parts into one smooth-running machine.

The individual parts, however, with the exception of the second scene in Act II, are funny, and the play as a whole is good for an evening of light amusement. Apart from the too complex nature of the plot, the least successful thing in "Miss Swan Expects" is the character of the financial backer of the publishing business and his protege. The latter is silly, the former merely nasty, and neither belongs in this play.

The Spewacks, who are always sadly lacking in respect for the Richest and Best People, know very well how to dissect a millionaire; and even in "Miss Swan Expects" they accomplish this task in hilarious fashion by presenting the world with a certain "Crampton," but the rich young Perry Weel spoils the mood of the comedy. No purpose would be served in relating the plot, but it may be noted once more that the Spewacks have a real gift for such illuminating lines from upper class persons as, "I'm spending a fortune in starting corporations to avoid income tax."

Able Performance By Cast

Most of the cast are very good with Peggy Conklin as the fantastic Miss Swan giving a charming performance. Ann Andrews, as a lady, who describes herself as a temple of rest for tired magnates, played with all the authority that an intimate knowledge of utility mergers, refunct railway bonds, and similar small change of amorous conversation demands. Miss Andrews, in short, was extremely funny. So was Harry Antrim as Crampton, torn between his toy trains, private organist, dividends, and biography; so, too, as usual, was John Williams as Crampton's secretary, telephoning to the organist ("Schlafmusik, bitte!"), arranging his owner's private life, and generally surveying the world with that air of polish and boredom of which this actor is a master. Some day the Spewacks or somebody should provide Mr. Williams with a part which will really enable him to display his talent for comedy.

In other roles, William Bendix as a cab driver, who accidentally became a peddler of censored books; Boris Belostozky, as a king by marriage, who was undecided between friendship and neutrality towards the Soviets, and C. Norman Hammond as a judge, who wrote a murder mystery, all added to the number of laughs; and Eduard Franz, Joyce Arling and John Beal were sympathetic. Mr. Beal was in Hollywood too long, but he is recovering.

"Miss Swan Expects" should amuse most people.

SCREEN

Tap Dancing In Honolulu

HONOLULU, at the Capitol. With Eleanor Powell, Robert Young, George Burns, Gracie Allen.

We've always though of Hawaii as a nice sleepy little place where the guitars keep on a-thrummin' and the grass skirts a-switchin' but Miss Eleanor Powell and M-G-M evidently have other ideas. Accordingly they present "Honolulu," current at the Capitol, as a place where movie stars and hoofers from the mainland solve intrigues and tap-dance all tradition out of the noble hulu.

Miss Powell can dance, as she has demonstrated in previous Broadway films, but in a grass outfit and surrounded by palms she's frankly a bit ridiculous and quite boring. Mixed up with a plot about Robert Young, the movie star who found a twin and gave all and sundry the double-cross, Miss Powell suffers a horrible beating.

There's plenty of trick photography but not enough. It's just one of those things nothing can save, even though the brief shots of palm trees and moonlight surf convince us that Hawaii, minus Eleanor and Robert and Burns and Allen, is a fine place after all.—H.R.

Carousel Theatre Group

The 92nd Street YMHA will present the newly formed cooperative Carousel Theatre Group in its initial performance, this Sunday afternoon at 3 P.M., in the Kaufmann Auditorium. The program will consist of two dance plays based on fantasy and realism.

The first half will show "Mother Goose On Parade," directed by Nadia Chilkovsky and music by Genevieve Pitot. The second half will present "Fancy Fanny's Judgment Day," a play by Chaver Paver, translated and adapted by Yola Miller. The choreography is by Saida Gerrard and the music was written by Genevieve Pitot and Wallingford Riegger. Sets have been designed by Eugene Morley and Ruth Gikow respectively.

All Negro Production Of 'Syncopated Mikado'

The Federal Theatre Project for New York City will present the Midwest Theatre Project's production of "The Swingcopated Mikado," fresh from a triumphant six-month engagement in Chicago, at the New Yorker Theatre, 54th St. west of Broadway, for an unlimited engagement beginning Wednesday, March 1.

Departing from the local WPA's six-performance a week policy, the Chicago's all-Negro production will give seven performances a week.

On Our Radio

DAILY PROGRAMS

MORNING

7:00-WNYC—Sunrise Symphony.
8:00-WQXR—Breakfast Symphony.
WOR—Trans-Radio News.
8:15-WNYC—New York State Unemployment Service and Consumers' Guide.
8:30-WHN—U.P. News.
8:55-WNYC—Around New York Today.
9:00-WNYC—Masterwork Hour.
WQXR—Composers' Hour.
WEAF and WJZ—A.P. News.
10:00-WNYC—Board of Education Program.
10:45-WNYC—News Review.
11:00-WNYC—News.
11:15-WHN—Ad Rhinesberg, Shoppers' Information.
11:45-WNYC—"You and Your Health."

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNYC—Midday Symphony.
12:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News.
WJZ—National Farm and Home Hour.
12:45-WOR—Consumers' Quizz.
1:05-WNYC—Organ Recital.
1:15-WMCA—World's Fair Dinner, Eddie Dowling, Speaker.
1:30-WOR—Essex County Opera Program, James Melton, Guest Soloist.
2:00-WMCA—News.
WNYC—Opera Matinee.
WJZ—"Social Science Program."
2:15-WHN—U.P. News.
2:30-WABC—American School of the Air.
3:00-WABC—Band Concert.
3:15-WNYC—"Books and Authors."
3:30-WABC—Keyboard Concerts.
WOV—Little Red Schoolhouse.
3:45-WNYC—News.
4:00—Trans-Radio News.
WJZ—Club Matinee.
WNYC—Four Strings at 4:00.
WQXR—Piano Moods.
4:30-WEAF—"Vic and Sade."
WNYC—"Let's Make Music"; Dr. Roy Harris, Composer.
WQXR—Hour of Symphonic Music.
5:00-WMCA—News.
WOR—Women Make the News.
WNYC—Concert Orchestra.
WABC—Current Questions Before the House.
5:15-WABC—"Let's Pretend," Children's Program.
5:30-WNYC—"Youth on Parade," NYA Program.
WQXR—Young People's Concert.
WHN—"Little Gray Lady," Starring Mabel Taliafero.
5:45-WOR—Raymond Gram Swing, News Commentator.
WHN—U.P. News.

EVENING

6:00-WEAF—Metropolitan Opera Guild in Resume of "Manon," by Massenet.
WOR—Uncle Don.
WNYC—Musical Essays, Dr. Alvin Kronich.
WABC—News and Sports.
WQXR—Mastersingers.
6:05-WJZ—Preview of American Association of School Administrators Convention.
6:15-WEAF—Malcolm Clair, Stories for Children.
WQXR—Salon Strings.
6:30-WMCA—Jimmie Powers, Sports Talk.
WOR—Trans-Radio News.
WNYC—Forum.
WABC—Today with Bob Trout.
WQXR—Gertrude Nittelman, Piano Recital.
6:45-WABC—Progressive Education Association Convention in a Discussion of "Education in Democratic America."
WEAF—Bill Stearn's Scrapbook.
WHN—Dick Fishell, Sports Resume.
WQXR—Charles Feinberg's Musical Newsreel.
7:00-WJZ—Easy Aces.
WOR—Stan Lomax, Sports Review.
WABC—"County Seat."
WQXR—Record Premiers.
7:15-WMCA—"Five-Star Final."
WEAF—Vocal Varieties.
WOR—Inquiring Reporter.
WABC—Adventures in Science.
7:00-WEAF—All-Star Review.
WOR—"Don't You Believe it."
WJZ—Dance Music.
WABC—Joe Penner.
WHN—George Hamilton Combs, News Commentator.
7:45-WOR—The Inside of Sport, Sam Balter.
8:00-WEAF—Rudie Vallee's Variety Hour.
WOR—"The Green Hornet."
WJZ—Parade of Progress.
WABC—Kate Smith Hour; Helen Hayes, Guest.
WHN—"The Fate of a Hero," by James T. Farrell.
WEVD—Bryce Oliver, News Commentator.
WQXR—Great Singers Series.
8:30-WOR—Alfred Wallenstein Conducts the Symphonietta.
WJZ—Rochester Philharmonic Orch.
8:45-WMCA—Johannes Steele, News Commentator.
WQXR—"Building a Better Radio Service," John V. L. Hogan, President of WQXR.
WHN—"Voices of Yesterday."
9:00-WHN-WEAF—"Good News of 1939."
WJZ—One Hundredth Anniversary of the Invention of the Robot; Speakers, Charles Goodyear and Secretary of Commerce Harry L. Hopkins.
WABC—Major Bowe's Amateur Hour.
WEVD—NYU Forum on the President's Foreign Policy.
WQXR—Music and the Ballet.
9:30-WOR—Famous "First" Facts.
WEVD—Confederated Spanish Societies Program.
WJZ—America's Town Meeting Discusses America's Problems in the Far East.
WMCA—Midweek Forum.
9:45-WQXR—Sidney Kaufman's Cinema Comment.
10:00-WEAF—Bing Crosby, Bob Burns and Guests.
WABC—Tune-Up Time; George M. Cohan, Guest.
WEVD—Federal Theatre Presents, "If Ye Break Faith,' b'y Maria M. Cox.
WOR—Dance Music.
WMCA—Dance Music.
WQXR—Concert Hour.
10:30-WMCA—News.
WOR—Dance Music.
WJZ—NBC Minstrels.
10:45-WHN—U.P. News.
11:00-WOR—Trans-Radio News.
WABC—Evening News Report.
WQXR—Just Music.
11:30-WNEW—Cafe Society.
12:00-WEVD—Symphonic Hour.

ERIC MUNX.

MUSIC

Goberman in Fine Recital

By MARTIN McCALL

It is good to be able to report a concert at which any one of the program's items would be the high point on an ordinary program. Monday evening's performance by the New York Sinfonietta under Max Goberman (Washington Irving H. S. Auditorium) was exactly such an unusual event. What with Goberman's refreshing sense of expressive values and of music in history, and with the Sinfonietta's exquisite ensemble, the concert raised bright hopes for more of the Sinfonietta and its programs.

Henry Purcell's Suite from the music for a contemporary play entitled "The Married Beau or the Curious Impertinent" provided the directly expressed, richly textured opening of the program. Antonio Vivaldi's Concerto Grosso in D minor, Opus 3, No. 11, is familiar and almost popular in variously "edited" forms; the Sinfonietta revived the original form, and, consequently, the generally obscured original musical intention.

Bach's Ricercare in Six Voices, from the "Musical Offering," based on Frederick the Great's curiously dramatic theme, is a fugue in terms of feeling if not in literal structure, and in terms of its established sphere of feeling, it is one of the composer's great, disquieting masterpieces.

Mozart wrote a Concerto for Bassoon and Orchestra, and the unconventional solo instrument seems to have confronted him with no problems at all. Leonard Sharrow was the excellent soloist in this Concerto, which is overwhelmingly Mozart's music rather than an apparent vehicle for the bassoon.

Finally, our own contemporary Aaron Copland was represented by two pieces written a number of years ago. These are not as free from self-consciousness and prevailing effort as Copland's more recent compositions, but they have the characteristic cleanness of detailed musical thinking, and acute awareness of musical contour.

Group Theatre to Present "Quiet City"

The Group Theatre announces that it has placed Irwin Shaw's "The Quiet City" in rehearsal toward a special Sunday night performance on April 9 at the Belasco Theatre.

The cast of "The Quiet City" takes in Roman Bohnen, Phoebe Brand, Harry Bratsburg, J. Edward Bromberg, Morris Carnovsky, Leif Erickson, Frances Farmer, Norman Lloyd, Eleanor Lynn, Karl Malden, Sanford Meisner, Ruth Nelson, Martin Ritt, Amelia Romano, Alfred Ryder, Art Smith, Virginia Stevens and Martin Wolfson.

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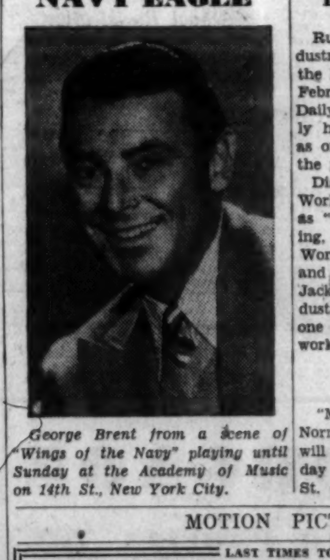

George Brent from a scene of "Wings of the Navy" playing until Sunday at the Academy of Music on 14th St., New York City.

LEFT ON BROADWAY

A Baby Is Named—G.M. Becomes Sentimental and Fernsworth Writes a Book

By MANNGREEN

SOCIAL NOTE—The V. J. Jeromes named their week-old son, Frederick, as the namesake of the illustrious Engels. The German Workers Bookshop decided to celebrate the event with an appropriate gift, so they sent the baby a first edition copy of Engels' "Origin of the Family"!!—inscribed to the boy.

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INVESTIGATION NOTE—If there is any doubt about the sanity of a convicted criminal, before passing sentence, the judge appoints a Lunacy Commission to investigate the case. The commission usually consists of a lawyer, a physician and a layman. . . . Special Investigator John Harlan Amen will shortly turn the spotlight on the Lunacy Commission probe in Brooklyn, where a certain court reporter has been appointed much too often to suit the authorities. . . .

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PUBLICITY NOTE—Belated but touching is the news that General Motors Company, of all people, became sentimental over St. Valentine's Day this year. Their publicity department sent out a picture of three workmen and a girl stenographer gathered around two unassembled fenders arranged in heart shape, captioned "The Dearest of Days! !" Imagine!

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THEATRE NOTE—Script of the play "Life and Death of an American" by George Sklar with the music by Alex North was shipped to Toronto, Canada, for a reading by the Toronto Theatre of Action. The directors of the theatre became highly enthusiastic over the production and immediately went into rehearsal. As a result, the "Life and Death of an American" will be debuted in—Canada.

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ART NOTE—Salvador Dali is the latest internationally known artist to lend support to the campaign for aid to democratic Spain. Dali, who arrived in America Tuesday evening aboard the Ile de France, announced that he would be glad to give all aid possible to the Medical Bureau!

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DANCE NOTE—Anna Sokolow's dance recital this Sunday will be one of the more exciting events of the season. Her "Facade" a strong anti-Nazi work won the Bennington Dance Festival prize two years ago. The recital is scheduled for the Alvin Theatre. Go by all means, if you can. . . . Gluck Sandor is on his way to Mexico City to act as Dance Director for a Mexican Folk Revue which will be brought to New York on its completion. Sandor staged the dances for "Amphitryon 40," "The Brothers Ashkenazi" and "Pins and Needles"!

"Industrial Valley" Book Union Choice

Ruth McKenney's new book, "Industrial Valley," has been chosen by the Book Union as its selection for February. Reviewers in both the Daily Worker and Progressive Weekly have hailed "Industrial Valley" as one of the outstanding books of the year.

Discussing the book in the Daily Worker, James Hagen described it as "contemporary history in exciting, dramatic form." In a full-page Worker, Chicago Midwest Record and San Francisco People's World, Jack Conroy declared that "'Industrial Valley' may well rank as one of the outstanding non-fiction works of 1939."

At the Greeley

"Marie Antoinette," starring Norma Shearer and Tyrone Power will be seen this Saturday and Sunday at the Greeley Theatre, 30th St. and 8th Avenue.

MOTION PICTURES

LAST TIMES TODAY
"PETER THE I" and "MAYERLING"
STARTS TOMORROW! EXCLUSIVE N. Y. SHOWING
AMKINO Presents "THE GREAT CITIZEN"
also "COURIER of LYONS" with PIERRE BLANCHAR
The story of the events that lead to the Moscow Treason Trials!
ROOSEVELT THEA., 2d Ave. at Houston St. 8th Ave Sub. to 2nd Ave. Sta.
15c to 1 P.M. Every Day

LAST TIMES TODAY!
2 GREAT FEATURES
PROFESSOR MAMLOCK M.D. 4th week
and DARK RAPTURE ★★★★ News
WORLD 49 ST.

AMKINO presents
"SOVIET BORDER"
"UNUSUALLY GOOD."—N. Y. Post
Dramatic Film of Soviet Preparedness and Japanese Aggression
CAMEO 42 ST. E. of B'way 25c to 5 P.M.

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"Marriage Forbidden"
A Sex Problem for Adults
Plus: "MIDNIGHT INTRUDER"

FREEMAN SO. BLVD. & FREEMAN ST.
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"DUKE OF WEST POINT"
with Louis Hayward - Tom Brown
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'Life Dances On'
and
'ADVENTURES of CHICO'

JEWEL KINGS HIGHWAY at OCEAN PKWAY, BK.
HELD OVER! LAST DAY!
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THE STAGE

GROUP THEATRE PRODUCTIONS
THE GENTLE PEOPLE
By IRWIN SHAW
Franchot TONE Sylvia SIDNEY Sam JAFFE
BELASCO, 44 St. E. of B'way. BR.9-5100
Mat. Thur.-Sat. 55c-$2.20. Ev. 8:40, 55c-$3.30

ROCKET TO THE MOON
by CLIFFORD ODETS
WINDSOR, 48 St. E. of B'way. BR.9-0178
Mat. Wed.-Sat. 55c-$2.20. Ev. 8:40 55c-$3.30

"The most consistently tense play of the season. A theatrical treat."
—JOHN CAMBRIDGE, Daily Worker.
HERMAN SHUMLIN presents
TALLULAH BANKHEAD in
THE LITTLE FOXES
Lillian Hellman's New Dramatic Triumph
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NATIONAL Thea., W. 41 St. PEnn. 6-8220
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SPORTS
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TOMORROW:
The Daily Worker Ace Selector Picks a Winner in the Ambers-Arizmendi Fight

ON THE SCOREBOARD

By LESTER RODNEY

There are a couple of things today that will be of more interest to sports fans in my opinion than anything any sports columnist could write.

The first is a poem. I'm not too keen on contributors' poetry myself as a rule, but here's one that has to see the light of print. It's written by a very young Irish American factory worker in Philadelphia, John Dougherty. John has seen a few of those phony "amateur" fights. And he has something here:

THE AMATEURS
By JOHN DOUGHERTY

Out in the fields where the heroes are made
And slug up in blood to their ears
For the fun of the thing or the five bucks in trade
Thrown in with the boos and the cheers.

The head of the show keeps his eyes on each row
And dreams of a two thousand gate,
While the lads in the ring stand a slug toe to toe
With a foe they've no reason to hate.

The glory they get is a mystical thing
And the sportsman alone may know just how it feels,
But we know you can't swap it for grub or new soles
When your walking around on your heels.

So no matter which kid wins the five-dollar prize,
Or is knocked for a two-dollar loss,
When the referee raises his arm in the 3rd,
There ain't nobody wins but the boss.

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If that sounds strong to you, remember that the way they are now conducted, these amateur fights are rotten, cynical things, exploiting the youngster's desire to start a prize ring career by having them fight for watches (for the winners—the battered losers get nothing). We say exploited advisedly.

The Beginnings of Baseball in the South

With the 100th anniversary of baseball being celebrated this year, it is interesting to read something about the first players. This excerpt is from the book "Black Manhattan," by the late James Weldon Johnson. And when you're finished reading it, you might do worse than sending a letter to the magnates of your local major league ball club asking them how come they don't hire any of the Negro stars rated tops by sports writers, players and fans.

In baseball, as in racing, the Negro gained his first experience in the South. By 1880 nearly every city and town in the South had its colored baseball club. For a period of years the best teams in the South were the colored teams. For some reasons the whites were tardy about taking up the game and becoming proficient at it. In many places, however, they were fierce partisans and strong supporters of the black team of their town. Important match games between rival teams of different towns or states often drew as many white as black rooters and spectators. These were all amateur clubs, but several of them were as good as the professional clubs. Both Nashville and Memphis possessed crack colored teams. Memphis had a wonderful pitcher, named Higgins, and a catcher, called "Peewee" Gwin, who was one of the first catchers in the game to take them off the bat. Nevertheless, in the middle eighties there were four colored players on professional league teams. Rochester signed Higgins, formerly of the Memphis colored team; Jersey City had a famous black battery, Stovey and Walker, and Buffalo had a star second baseman named Grant. Grant was dubbed "the Black Dunlap" after Dunlap of Detroit, who was then the most brilliant second baseman in the National League. (pp. 62-63.)

WHAT'S ON

Tonight

"LIVING AMERICAN POETRY"—Kenneth Fearing, Muriel Rukeyser, Genevieve Taggard, others. Keynote Club, 201 West 93rd St. NYC. 8:30 P.M. Thursday, February 23rd. Admission 35c. Ausp.: New Masses.

REFUGEE AID RALLY at Hebrew Alliance, 6th St. and Neptune Ave., Bklyn. Speakers—Rabbi Benjamin Plotkin, Councilman Schaefer, Congressman O'Toole, Mrs. Sverdlov, Dora Rich, Mrs. C. Shafelson, Chairman. Excellent Entertainment. Adm. Free. Ausp. Progressive Women's Council 17.

Tomorrow

WORKERS BOOKSHOP presents Herbert Aptheker, on "The Negro People Under Slavery and Their Fight for Freedom," at its Author's Day Forum. 8:30 P.M., 50 East 13th St., NYC.

Coming

IWO BASKETBALL Finals and Dance. Boys & Girls Games. All Girls Orchestra. Saturday, Feb. 25, 7 P.M. P.S. 113 at 113th St. between 7th & 8th Aves.. Adm. 40c; at door 65c.

MAX BEDACHT on "The Rise and Collapse of the Second International." In Anniversary Lecture Series. Saturday, Feb. 25th, 2:30 P.M. 2nd floor, 35 East 12th St. NYC. Ausp.: Workers School.

CONCERT and DANCE—Saturday Ev., Feb. 25, at 228 East Broadway, NYC. Arranged by The Bialystoker Committee for Political Prisoners. 8:30 P.M.

TRIP TO HAYDEN PLANETARIUM. Auspices Workers School, to see presentation, "Birth of the Earth." Group leader, Alfred Goldstein, will give preliminary lecture on subject in Room 304, Workers School, 35 East 12th St., from 1 to 1:45 P.M. Meet at school, or on street entrance, 8th Ave. Subway, 81st St., 2:30 to 2:45. Adm. 25c.

ANNA SOKOLOW and Dance Unit—First Recital this season. Sunday, February 26th, 8:30 P. M. Alvin Theatre; W. 52nd St. Tickets on sale: New Masses; Workers Bookshop; Alvin Theatre; A.D.A., 1560 Broadway; Medical Bureau, 381 Fourth Ave.

Philadelphia, Pa.

MODERN DANCE RECITAL. Si-Lan Chen, Chinese Dancer, Merle Hirsh and her Dance Group; Saki, Japanese Dancer; Varied Program. Friday, Feb. 24, 8:30 P.M. 150 North Broad St. Benefit—Medical Buro and NAC to Aid Spanish Democracy. Tickets 35c, 50c, 75c and $1. Call RIT. 6907.

LEO HUBERMAN, Author of "Labor Spy Racket," speaks on "Your Money and Your Life." Sunday, Feb. 26, 8:15 P.M. Peoples Forum, 130 N. 13th St. Subs. 25c.

School Registration

LEARN BALLROOM DANCING — Social Dance Group. The recognized school for workers. New private, class lessons. Waltz, Fox-Trot, Tango, etc. Low Rates. 114 West 14th St., 6th Ave.) CH. 2-9818. Pallas.

SOCIAL DANCING Taught by Experts. American, Russian and Spanish; Private and Class Lessons. 12-10 P.M. Join the International Dance Group. Marion Studios, 3 East 23rd St. Cor. B'way.

KEEP FIT—Limber up. Spring Term just started. Complete schedule of classes in Modern, Ballet, Folk, Tap. Special classes for Children Saturday morning. New Dance Group, 26 W. 18th St.

'Middleweight Couldn't Floor Arizmendi'—Dempsey

Can the Babe End Lou's Win Streak?

Mexican Battler Never Downed; Ends Grind for Ambers

Jack Dempsey once said of Baby Arizmendi: "I doubt whether a middleweight could knock that little Mexican off his feet."

Arizmendi, who opposes Lou Ambers, former world lightweight champion, in a 12-round contest at Madison Square Garden on tomorrow night, has faced many a formidable puncher during his career in the ring and has yet to know the feel of canvas on his trunks.

Tony Canzoneri (in his prime), Eddie Shea, Davie Day, and a host of other hard punchers have thrown their wallops at Arizmendi without flouring or hurting him. Henry Armstrong? Five times have the Baby and the current lightweight-welterweight champion faced each other—for a total of 52 pounds—and Armstrong still hasn't been able to knock Arizmendi off his feet.

Indeed, Arizmendi won two of their matches and the other three were marked by close decisions. In at least two of those three the verdict could have gone either way.

Arizmendi feels he was jobbed out of an Ambers victory last summer, when the two fought a sizzling draw in Los Angeles. This time the Mexican is confident he will demonstrate a clear superiority over the ex-champion.

A group of sportsmen in Mexico City plan to feature Arizmendi in two fights in the spacious bull ring there during the spring. Tom Gallery, Los Angeles promoter, would like to stage another Armstrong-Arizmendi contest at Wrigley Field in April or May.

A much better fighter than when he appeared here a few years ago, on which occasion he trounced Al Roth and Mike Belloise, and in much better physical condition (now that Whitey Eckwert is his trainer), Baby Arizmendi is certain he will ruin Ambers' hopes of facing Armstrong in a return title match.

Both Ambers and Arizmendi engage in their final sparring sessions today, Ambers at Stillman's gymnasium, and Arizmendi at the Pioneer gym.

Johnson Tops AAU Sprint List

Seedings were completed yesterday for the 60-meter dash, the 65-meter high hurdles, the 1,000 meter sprint medley relay and the 1,600-meter relay at the fifty-first annual national A.A.U. track and field championships at Madison Square Garden on Saturday. Leading performers of the season top the draw in each event.

The sprint field is headed by Ben Johnson, the defending champion; Herbert Thompson, winner of 20 straight dash races this year; Eulace Peacock, former national titleholder and Mozel Ellerbee, the National Collegiate A. A. sprint king who is making his New York debut.

The ranking hurdlers are Fred Wolcott, the national and N. C. A. A. timber-topping champion who was unbeaten all last year; Roy Staley, who broke the 70 yard world record three times this season; Allan Tolmich, world record holder and former national titleholder, and John Collinge, the Iowan who has been close to record time in his Western starts.

HENRY TO FITE DAVEY DAY

Announcement of the Henry Armstrong - Davey Day welterweight title fight here March 31 featured a flurry of activity on the boxing front today.

Day, a stablemate of former welter champion Barney Ross, who lost the title to Armstrong, is a seasoned campaigner and has compiled an impressive record through the Middle West in the past two years. The decision dropped by the Chicagoan was a close one to Lou Ambers, then lightweight champion.

Tuesday Nite Court Scores

L. I. U.	58	St. Bonaventure	31
N. Y. U. '42	48	St. Francis '42	34
Rochester	46	Colgate	40
Savage	43	Pace	29
St. Francis	34	N. Y. U.	27
Vanderbilt	56	Tennessee	38
Virginia	54	V. M. I.	27
Westminster	66	Bethany	43
W. and L.	46	W. and M.	37

Fite Results

Broadway Arna—Lw Feldman, 135, New York, stopped Norment Quarles, 138, Richmond, Va. (5); Tommy Spiegel, 131, Uniontown, Pa., decisioned Maurice Arnault, 137, Paris (8).

Coliseum—Wesley Ramey, 133, Grand Rapids, Mich., outpointed Maxie Berger, 141, New York (8); Don Marsh, 145, Montreal, stopped Ziggy Lander, 146, Palestine (5).

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—Mickey Donahue, 145, Stamford, Conn., and Harry Ginsburg, 146, New York, drew (8); Julie Kogan, 137, New Haven, Conn., kayoed Austin McCann, 141, New York (4); Joe Iannotti, 125, New Haven, kayoed Johnny Arta, 121, New York (4).

Labor Sports Parley to Weigh 9-Point Program

By Joe Wells

All New York labor is responding to the call of the first sports convention of the New York Trade Union Athletic Association for a two-day session, starting Saturday afternoon at the Transport Workers Hall. The large hall will probably be filled to capacity with delegates from both AFL and CIO, as last-minute reservations still pour in. International Workers Union, an A.A.U. and a T.U.A.A. affiliate, is sending two fraternal delegates.

The old TUAA executive board met for the last time this week and outlined nine resolutions to be presented to the convention.

(1) A resolution demanding closer cooperation from the Board of Education and Department of Parks for more and better facilities.

(2) To seek an allied membership in the A.A.U. on a national scale and to seek affiliation in the Metropolitan Association.

(3) To call a national conference for the purpose of setting up a national body to coordinate the labor sports movement in the United States and Canada.

(4) Labor Unity. The TUAA will make every effort to cement unity of all labor in the field of sports and recreation.

(5) Intra-mural sports.

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(6) Girls Sports.

(7) PWA cuts.

(8) President Roosevelt's national health program.

(9) Condemning major league baseball for permitting Jim Crow to continue.

No Repeat Win Seen for Cubs

National League Champs Strong on "If" Side; Vets Not Likely to Improve

(This is another in the series analyzing the major league teams, roster by roster.)

A repeat performance by the Chicago Cubs in the National seems none to likely, to make a premature judgment based on their gaudy player roster. How the boys will go on the ungaudy brown dirt of Wrigley Field is another story of course.

The main changes in the line-up of the team that surged from behind to nip the Pirates at the wires in '38 only to be knocked off by the Yanks in a four game series, are the replacement of Shortstop Jurges, Outfielder Demaree and Catcher O'Dea by ex-Giants Bartell, Lieber and Mancuso. Most important minor league additions are Rip Russell, slugging first sacker from the Coast who may replace the fading Collins and the in and out Caveretta, and Jim Gleeson, one of the slugging Newark outfielders the Yankees were unable to use.

Main points of depreciation: Another year passed for Gabby Hartnett, born Dec. 20, 1900. Another year is bound to make a big difference to the big catcher-manager, and Mancuso is nobody's infant either. Carl Reynolds, thirty-five year old vet, is unlikely to have good year at bat, and the conditions of Augie Galan's leg and Bartell's arthritic arm are highly doubtful.

Pitching will be a problem. Big Bill Lee, best in the league last year, and Clay Bryant, an ace on his own right, are back. But after that you have a lot of ifs like Larry French, Diz Dean, Vance Page, Epperly and Lillard. That doesn't shape up as a strong enough mound corps.

Billy Herman, minus some of the extra weight he carried around last year, should resume being the league's top second sacker, and Stan Hack is way out in front as a third baseman. Joe Marty, who clicked in the series, should go well now in the outfield. A lot depends on how Lieber will come through at bat without Terry, whom he never liked working for, and how Bartell goes. If they come through and Diz comes back on the mound, the club may, in spite of its weaknesses, have enough to win out again.

But don't bet on it.—L. R.

NYU Tourney Hopes Blasted

LIU Subs Score Enough Points to Beat Bonnies

By STAN KURMAN

It's paradoxical but when St. Francis upset N. Y. U. 34-27 Monday night, the Franciscans put the finisher on any doubts that might have been lingering among met basketball followers about the tremendous superiority of L.I.U.

For St. Francis went into the Violet gym still stinging from the gosh-awful 61-20 smear that L.I.U. had handed the Franciscans last week. And with one strike Rody Cooney's Terriers blasted all N.Y.U. hopes for a spot in the coming national invitation tourney and proved that L.I.U. is without an Eastern rival.

St. Francis also holds victories over CCNY, Manhattan and Brooklyn in addition to NYU and stands a good chance of knocking off St. John's when the two meet March 8th. And the team which at worst is third best locally couldn't even hold LIU's third-stringers.

NYU missed Ben Auerbach but St. Francis' victory was clear cut. Frank Hrbeck's 12 points took individual scoring honors but the floorplay of shifty Jerry O'Neill was the chief factor in the victory.

Meanwhile LIU continued its unbeaten ways and rolled up a 70-31 against poor, little St. Bonaventure Tuesday night. A peak of the boxscore gives the key to the main reason for Blackbird greatness—reserve power. Not counting the points netted by the vet starting line-up of Torgoff, Kaplowitz, Sewitch, Bromberg and Newman LIU would have still won the mage, 34-31. There are no subs on the team and every Beeman is a first-stringer.

LIU takes on Baltimore at the Brooklyn Pharmacy gym tonight, Coach Bee will start his all-vet line-up against the team which licked NYU a while back. Which means that the visitors should hold the wonder team down to about 55 points.

Court Fans

Due to an early deadline we are unable to publish the results of last night's Garden double-header. Stan Kurman will size-up the games in tomorrow's Daily Worker.

Brooklyn College Student Council Rejects Sports Amalgamation Proposal

Sports Editor:
Daily Worker:
Dear Sir,

As a student of Brooklyn College and a member of the Brooklyn College Student Council, which at its last meeting took a firm, almost unanimous stand in opposition to this proposal, I am presenting my opinions on the matter:

This merger cannot be examined solely as an isolated, single proposal for a bigger and better football team, but in its broader aspects, with a view to the consequences which must follow the successful conclusion of such a plan. This plan is just one in a series to merge all the sports teams and eventually, to merge the 4 City Colleges into one municipal university. It is needless to point out that the latter would (like this plan) involve retrenchment of the worst form—wholesale firings of teachers and drastic cutting down of the number of students attending the colleges.

Tomorrow

A Brooklyn College varsity football player gives his thoughts on the amalgamation plan.

In dealing with the problem of the sports teams themselves, I believe it would be quite advisable and quite fruitful to determine the reasons for the original establishment of inter- and intra-collegiate sports. As I understand it one of the main reasons was that participation in sports gives the student population the exercises needed to balance its long hours of physical inaction in the classrooms. Sports also were begun to give those who participated in them an opportunity for good, clean fun. If this plan goes through, athletes would be spending all their time in the subways, traveling all over the city for practice and games.

Last but not least, there is the question of school spirit, which is still an important point at a college as young as Brooklyn. It would be rather difficult to arouse spirit for a team on which only 2 or 3 brother students from your own college are playing. If the students can't be gotten out to their own stadium, how are we going to get them to travel up to the Bronx, Flatbush or Flushing? To cut down on sports would be to dangerously cut down on health, fun and school spirit.

Instead of retrenchment, I suggest subsidies from the city to continue and increase sports in all the colleges. Sports don't exist just for the sake of "victories." Win or lose, sports are fun? On to more and better sports in all the city colleges.

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